

Rome Communists Hand Cabinet Ultimatum

Not A Pleasant Job For Ministers



Daniel Mayer (left), the new French Minister of Labor, and Jules Moch, new Minister of the Interior, are pictured as they read French newspapers' reaction to the anti-strike measures of the French cabinet led by Premier Robert Schuman. Minister Mayer's job is not a too pleasant one, with almost all of France's industries snared by Red-inspired work stoppages.

French Council Approves Schuman's Anti-Strike Law

PARIS (AP)—After a tumultuous, 21-hour session, the upper chamber of the French Legislature today approved Premier Robert Schuman's new drastic anti-strike, antisabotage law, 217 to 82.

The bill, which heavily increases the punishments for sabotage and sets up penalties for persons inciting strikes or keeping them going, was approved Thursday by the National Assembly, the lower chamber.

It now goes to President Vincent Auriol for signature and is expected to become effective to day or tomorrow. The measure was demanded by the Schuman cabinet to guarantee non-strikers the right to work without interference, to suppress sabotage and to allow the state to use force in accomplishing these purposes.

Agence France-Presse earlier today quoted Schuman as saying Auriol had already refused a demand by the Communist-Led General Confederation of Labor (C.G.T.) that the bill be sent back to the Assembly for revision.

The government for several

days has been making use of virtually the same powers given it by the measure and to all extents and purposes it now is in effect in the struggle to break Communist-engineered strikes for higher pay which have rendered idle more than 2,000,000 men.

READY TO SHOOT

The labor crisis appeared at the showdown stage, with police directed to use firearms if necessary and strikers under orders on their Communist leader to "hold firm" for the last quarter-hour that will decide the victory.

One official source listed as some of the material costs of the work stoppages:

Two million tons of coal, 400,000 tons of iron ore, 130,000 tons of pig iron, 175,000 tons of steel, 160,000 tons of finished steel products, 90 per cent of a month's rubber production, and 40 per cent of the automobile production for a month.

Centenarian Dies

ANTIGONISH, N.S. (CP)—

Mrs. Joseph Myette, 101, of nearby Tracadie, died Friday.

Medical School On B.C. Campus Approved By University Senate

VANCOUVER (CP)—The senate of the University of British Columbia has approved the establishment of a faculty of medicine at U.B.C., it was announced today.

It also recommended that steps be taken to erect necessary buildings to house pre-medical, pre-clinical and other sections of the faculty.

This is the first official decision on location of the long-sought and controversial medical school, for which pre-medical students have been campaigning for more than three years.

"If it is impossible to establish it (medical school) on the campus" immediately, the senate suggested clinical instruction be provided "in existing hospitals" and the pre-clinical years be given on the campus.

It also approved the establishment of an Institute of Preventive Medicine.

There was no indication given when work on the proposed medical buildings would begin. However, the Board of Governors would "explore with the provincial government, city of Vancouver . . . and hospitals of the Vancouver area, the possibilities" of implementing the senate's suggestions.

Partitioning Of Germany Implied In Big 4 Talks

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

LONDON (AP)—Virtual partitioning of Germany between Russia and the western powers for an indefinite time was indicated today by developments in the Foreign Ministers' Council which convened here two weeks ago to recreate German unity.

As the second week of the conference drew to a close, one more issue—German economic unity—was added to the list of those which have provoked basic disagreement between Russia on the one hand and France, Britain and the United States on the other.

WOULD END GENERALITIES

The latest deadlock came Friday when State Secretary Marshall challenged Foreign Minister Molotov to stop talking "generalities" about the German peace treaty and state precisely the conditions under which Russia would agree to unify Germany. The American Secretary called for the elimination of Germany's zonal boundaries as a starter.

In response, Molotov launched into an attack on British and U.S. policies in western Germany, accused the two powers of breaking the Potsdam agreement on reparations, said they were "actually hindering" economic recovery in the western zones and claimed there had been a contradiction between Marshall and U.S. Commerce Secretary Harriman over the issue of unifying Germany.

The Soviet minister said Harriman had recommended in a recent report to President Truman the creation of a separate regime in western Germany.

ASKS WHO IS RIGHT

This, Molotov said, was contrary to Marshall's call for the unification of all Germany, and he asked: "Who is right, the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Harriman, or the Secretary of State, Mr. Marshall?"

Foreign Secretary Bevin said Molotov's arguments were designed to "convince the Germans they have 'but one friend—the Soviet Union.'

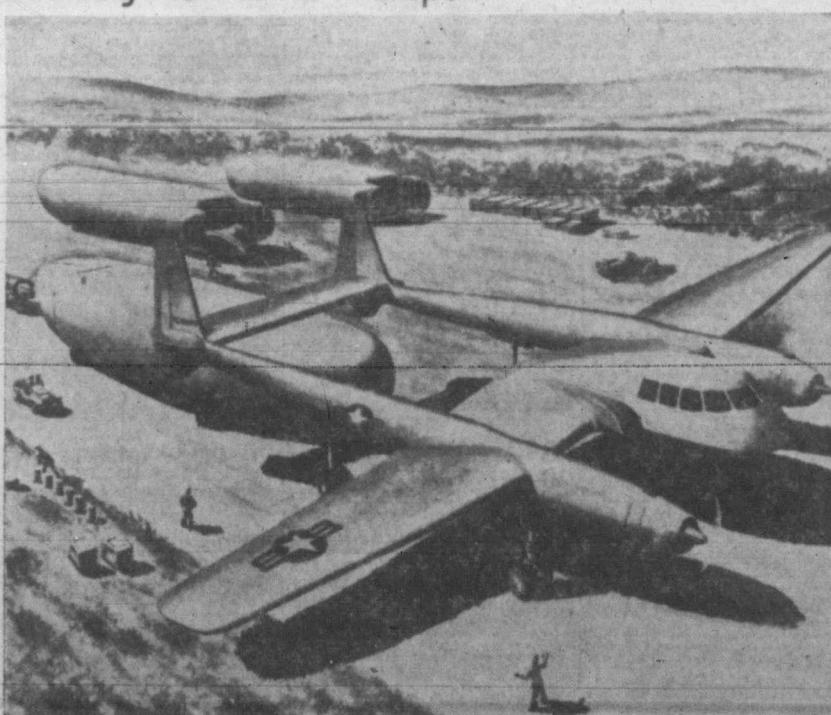
Marshall cited figures to show

the extent of recovery in the merged British-U.S. zones and once more appealed to the council to "leave generalities and engage in discussion which may enable us to make some progress."

Young Jews To Meet

MONTREAL (CP)—The 17th biennial convention of Canadian Young Judea, the youth division of the Zionist Organization of Canada, will be held in Ottawa Dec. 26-29. Delegates from 50 communities across Canada are expected to attend.

Something New In Air Transport



Detachable fuselage plane designed by Fairchild is depicted in this artist's conception of the cargo-carrying. The pod, or fuselage, could be loaded in advance and attached to the plane at flight time. The plane is being built at Wright Field, Ohio.

'Bonaparte Jr.' At New York



Russian U.N. delegate Andrei Gromyko, right, assumes a Napoleonic pose as he chats with Herschel V. Johnson, U.S. delegate, at the General Assembly meeting at Flushing, N.Y. They found themselves allied in the battle over the partition of Palestine.

Churchill Says Socialism To Eliminate 12,000,000

MANCHESTER, Eng. (CP)—Winston Churchill said today socialism will mean that 12,000,000 Britons "will have to disappear in one way or another."

The former Prime Minister, addressing 14,000 persons at a rally of the Conservative Party he leads, pictured Britain as "in peril to a degree which I have hardly ever known before."

"I am quite sure that socialism—that is to say, the substitution of state control by officials instead of by private enterprise—will make it impossible for 48,000,000 people to live in this land, and that at least one-quarter of all who are alive today will have to disappear in one way or another after enduring a lowering of standards of food and comfort inconceivable in the last 50 years.

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"The Socialist government is responsible for the gravity of our difficulties, not only by a series

of sacrifices and miscalculations but also by wantonly betraying the nation through class warfare and also by preferring their rigid and mistaken doctrines to the practical measures by which the greatest good to the greatest number can alone be achieved."

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Churchill asserted that if half the British troops, kept in Palestine "under conditions of intolerable provocations," had been stationed in India at the time of partition last August, "they would have enabled the transfer of power from British to Indians to have been made in a gradual and orderly manner."

Such a move "would have averted a slaughter of at least 250,000 Hindus and Moslems in a series of hideous massacres the like of which has never stained the British Empire in all its history."

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Talks On Youth To Eagles



Gerald W. Mason (left), national youth guidance chairman of the Grand Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, discusses juvenile problems with Attorney-General Gordon Wisner. W. Bridgewood, an official of Victoria Aerie No. 12 (centre), joins the conversation.

Weather

Weather, today and tomorrow, valid until midnight Sunday:

Vancouver experienced the coldest night so far this winter, with a low of 22 degrees recorded at the airport. Cranbrook was the coldest spot in the province with a minimum temperature of two degrees above zero. Milder weather is on the way, however, as a storm which is now developing in the northern gulf of Alaska will bring rain and strong southerly winds to the B.C. coast today. Snow will commence in the northern interior this afternoon and reach the southern interior tonight. Weather on Sunday will improve to cloudy with only a few showers in the wake of the storm.

Vancouver and vicinity, Strait of Georgia, and Lower Fraser Valley—Overcast today with continuous rain commencing by evening. Fog patches over coastal waters clearing by noon today. Light winds increasing to south-east 25 tonight. Sunday intermittent rain during the morning becoming cloudy with widely scattered showers about noon. Northwestern winds 20. Milder.

West Coast Vancouver Island—Overcast with intermittent rain commencing during afternoon. Light winds becoming southerly 30. Sunday cloudy with showers. Northwestern winds 30. Milder. Mr. Mason said it was the duty of every citizen to support character building organizations such as Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. He pointed out that many youngsters got into mischief because they had nothing to do in their spare time but loiter.

Mrs. Nancy Hodges, M.L.A.

for Victoria, who was among those invited to address the meeting, said in the final analysis the greatest part of youth guidance came from the home. She pointed out that the most important period of a youth's life was in early years and it was

the duty of every mother to see that their children received proper training.

Mrs. Hodges expressed the opinion that many mothers were failing down in the job of raising a family. "The world today is full of people, to use the colloquial expression, who 'pass the buck' in respect to youth training."

"We also have to realize that we need for spiritual values of life," she added. "We must teach our youngsters that it is far better to give than to take."

Rev. K. L. Sandcock dealt briefly with the importance of the spiritual training of youth. "The church believes that the spiritual side in the training of youth must be kept in the forefront," he said. "It is not sufficient to educate the mind. With our spiritual training the system will collapse."

Among others who spoke at the meeting were Mayor P. E. George, Judge H. C. Hall, magistrate of the juvenile court and J. W. Fothergill, provincial president of the F.O.E. A vote of thanks was moved by C. Holt, president of Victoria Aerie No. 12.

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No Economic Crisis In Soviet, But Russ On Spree Of Buying

LONDON (AP) — Citizens of the Soviet Union may be on a buying spree, as American reports say, but any idea of an economic crisis in the Soviet Union is completely discounted by responsible diplomatic informants here.

The United States State Department's "Voice of America" radio broadcast in 23 languages from Washington said Wednesday night that a wave of "panic buying" in Russia had been touched off by widespread rumors of prospective price increases and devaluation of the Russian ruble.

Reports reaching London from sources familiar with conditions inside the Soviet bear out the Washington report that a buying spree is under way.

They also concur that the efforts of individual Russians to convert rubles into goods ranging from clothing to fine china results from a flood of rumors in Moscow that Russian currency is about to be devalued or replaced with a new issue.

According to the best information available here, however, a buying spree would not necessarily indicate a state of panic or an economic crisis, although it might reflect popular nervousness and an unsteady public confidence.

M. H. Barry entered a plea of guilty through W. C. Moresby, K.C., to a charge of failing to notify an employee of his schedule of hours of work, contrary to the Hours of Work Act, and was fined the minimum of \$25 by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court Friday.



LOOKING FORWARD TO A HAPPY CHRISTMAS — This Christmas will be the happiest one in three years for 12-year-old Loretta Rutkowsky of Cleveland, Ohio. On Christmas Day, 1944, she tried to light a candle on her Christmas tree. Her clothes caught fire and she was horribly burned. She has been in City Hospital continuously since then, undergoing blood transfusions and skin grafts. Next month her cheerful courage will be rewarded when she will be allowed to go home for Christmas. But after that she must return to the hospital, possibly to stay two years more before she is fully recovered.

Quantities Of Jap, Tangerine Oranges Here For Christmas

MONTREAL (CP) — Lucien Gendron, K.C., chief defence counsel, argued on points in law before Mr. Justice Wilfrid Lazure today when the conspiracy trial of Dr. Raymond Boyer was resumed for what appeared to be the final day of the two-week hearing.

He contended certain substantive offences mentioned in the Official Secrets Act, which the Montreal scientist is charged with conspiring to violate, and listed on the indictment could not form the basis of conspiracy.

He claimed the charge was not based on substantive offences under the secrets act, but was one of conspiracy under the Criminal Code.

Dr. Boyer is alleged to have communicated certain information to Fred Rose, former Labor Progressive Member of Parliament, destined for the Soviet government. Rose was convicted for his part in espionage work and is serving a six-year penitentiary term.

It is probable Victoria will face a lemon shortage next week.

Wholesalers are beginning to worry about the potato shortage.

There has not been any shipment of potatoes to this city for the past 10 days and supplies on hand are beginning to dwindle.

Shipments which should be coming through from the dry belt which supplies one-half of all potatoes consumed in this city are being delayed because of a shortage of refrigeration cars.

Delay In Palestine Costly To Britain

MANCHESTER, Eng. (AP) — Winston Churchill estimated today that delay in surrendering Britain's mandate over Palestine had cost £200,000,000 (\$800,000,000).

He recalled in an address that he had recommended 18 months ago that the mandate be given to the United Nations.

Stage Concert For Aged Men's Home

Residents of the Aged Men's Home were entertained at a concert Friday evening, which was followed by distribution of tobacco and refreshments by the entertainers.

Those participating in the show were Reg Rylea, George Farmer, Tom Obee, Mrs. Bert Noel, "Bob and Fred," Billy Creed, Bill Harkness, Bill Anderson, J. H. Holmes, Jack Rivers, Joe Dobble, Norman Hill, Joe Leathem, Harry Jackson and George Pennington.

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VICTORIA

Audience Raises Money To Defray Cost Of Concert

An enthusiastic audience donated an additional \$271 to defray the expenses of some 50 performers from Vancouver who staged a Russian Grand Concert for the benefit of Soviet War Orphans at the Club Sirocco last night.

The concert, one of the best of its kind staged in Victoria, proved a financial failure due to a small audience. Only about 200 persons attended the show. But the audience was so pleased with the concert that an additional collection reaped nearly \$300.

The concert featured Russian dances, folk songs and music. Twelve-year-old Sonya Nesteruk made a hit with her "Song of Russia," while a mixed choir which sang Russian and Ukrainian folk songs was encored.

Victor Pashnik staged a vivacious Russian dance, and among other numbers was an accordion solo by Johnay Woyat, a duet by Mrs. and Miss Nekrasoff with choir, and a trio by N. Chiz, B. Fetisoff and J. Bachen. Other singers included Helen Kolanjic, V. Bazinova and Eda Laskin.

William Hohlauch of Victoria, who acted as master-of-ceremonies, said the Federation of Canadian-Russians had donated \$1,000 each to the Red Cross and the Chinese Relief and the organization now thought it was time to help Soviet war orphans as there was a greater number in the Soviet Union than in any other country which had suffered in the war.

He said the aim of the federation was to conduct cultural and educational activities in spirit of democracy and cooperation to cement fraternal relations between all Russian-Canadians and the various other ethnic groups comprising the Canadian people.

Six policemen and seven plain-clothesmen were on duty at the Club Sirocco, according to C. Ott, financial-secretary of the Federation of Russian-Canadians.

City Briefs

The Newfoundland Club Christmas dinner will be held in the Kilt Kat dining-room next Tuesday at 6:30.

Esquimalt police today reported that a 1930 sedan stolen from in front of the municipality's theatre last night between 7 and 9:15 was recovered at 12:20 this morning at Fisgard and Store Streets.

Ward 2 Ratepayers' Association are sponsoring a meeting at North Ward Community Hall Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, to which all candidates for City Council and the three police commissioners will be invited to speak.

Starting this evening, the Loyal True Blue Association will hold dances every Saturday night at the Orange Hall, 729 Courtney Street, in aid of the Loyal Protestant Orphanage at New Westminster.

Ratepayers of Victoria West are sponsoring a meeting Monday evening at 8 in Victoria West School at which all 16 aldermanic candidates for City Council and the three police commissioners will be invited to speak.

St. Mary's Men's Guild annual meeting will be held next Thursday at 8. Election of officers will take place. Following the business session E. S. Farr will address the guild on the subject: "Trends in the Economic Field."

Betty Edge, aged 9, daughter of Jack Edge, Carey Road, was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital to be treated for scratches yesterday afternoon following a collision between her bicycle and a car driven on Carey Road by Royden A. Whitehead, Ganges P.O. The girl was released from hospital after treatment.

The public is cordially invited to attend the 35th annual memorial service to be held in the lodgerooms of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at 3 Sunday afternoon, C. C. Howard, exalted ruler, will conduct the memorial to the departed brothers with the ritual by the lodge officers. W. R. Ashford, will give the memorial address, soloist for the occasion being Doug Park.

Body Of Bride Found In Trunk

LIVINGSTON, N.J. (AP) — The body of an attractive bride of one month was found Friday stuffed in the trunk of an abandoned automobile on a road of this suburban community. She apparently had been strangled.

The woman was identified by police as Mrs. Ernestine Goldlobith, 36, a former secretary of a real estate office and more recently an employee of a florist shop.

Held for investigation was the woman's husband, Vincent A. Goldlobith, 45.

Court Warning

William E. Webster, young motorist, appeared in city police court this morning and was fined \$5 on each of three charges—not having a driver's license, failing to halt at a stop sign and failure to obey the lawful command of a police officer. He pleaded guilty to all three and was remanded by Magistrate H. C. Hall for driving his car after his yellow license had been suspended by the court. "You cannot trifl with this court," he said, also noting that while he could send the accused to jail he would not do so this time.

Tougher Penalties Urged By Carson

Tougher traffic penalties for reckless drivers was advocated Friday night by Works Minister E. C. Carson, in an address to the British Columbia Automobile Association in Vancouver.

The minister said 75 per cent of highway and city street accidents were caused by "people who do not know how to drive."

"With accidents piling up on our records that are leaving children and many grownups maimed for life the time has come for dealing very severely with the guilty drivers," he said.

Figures cited by R. A. Arnott, chairman of the association's traffic and safety committee, showed one death every two days for the current year.

He pledged the association to work for elimination of "horse and buggy" methods of highway supervision in the next year with increased police supervision.

He said he did not advocate abandonment of the British market, but he did advocate a search for export markets in all parts of the world. With more diversified markets Canada could move toward the economic independence which should be her aim.

Scrubwoman Rich

PORTRLAND, Ore. (AP) — A scrubwoman for 28 years, little Mrs. Amelia Bowman Dean, 69, kept right on working Friday although named sole beneficiary of income from a \$25,000 estate.

"I'll quit when I get the money," she said, but later, at work, confided to reporters that after learning about the money, "I've found out I am tired."

The \$25,000 was left in a trust fund by David C. Clem, Portland, who died Nov. 15 after 30 years' friendship with Mrs. Dean and her husband. The husband died six months ago.

There were just a few flakes, the weather bureau said, amid hail which followed a brief but intense lightning storm and a drenching downpour of rain.

M.P.'s Told Canada Must Turn To New Export Markets

OTTAWA (CP) — J. A. Dion, Liberal member for the Quebec constituency of Lake St. John-Roberval, told the Commons Friday that Canada should attempt to find export markets in all parts of the world.

Moving the adoption of the Address in Reply to the Throne Speech read a short time earlier in the Senate, Mr. Dion referred to the economic difficulties Canada has encountered because of an age-old policy of doing most trade with the United States and Britain.

While the triangular trade had worked well in the days when sterling was convertible, it was not working well now when Canada had to pay for purchases in the United States with American dollars. The drain of Canada's reserve of American dollars had been such that the government had found it necessary recently to impose restrictions on imports from the United States.

"If we are to draw a lesson from our present difficulties—and I think we should—then we should attempt to expand our economic horizons," said Mr. Dion, speaking in French. "We can no longer confine ourselves to the British-Canada-U.S. triangle without running into greater difficulties than those which we are facing today."

He said he did not advocate abandonment of the British market, but he did advocate a search for export markets in all parts of the world. With more diversified markets Canada could move toward the economic independence which should be her aim.

Plenty Of Game In Cold Storage

COURTENAY (CP) — Nimrods ranging the woods surrounding this Vancouver Island resort town have packed 348 deer into the cold storage locker plant in less than a year.

Half-deer and quarters brought in for butchering and deep-freezing bring the total to more than 400, W. Peters, plant proprietor, stated.

"Since the opening of the plant 11 months ago," Mr. Peters said, "170,000 pounds of foodstuffs have been serviced. This includes about 1,000 pounds of fish shipped to the United States by tourist fishermen."

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THEY MUST CHOOSE WISELY

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S POLITICAL AND economic stability will depend, to a greater or lesser degree, on the decisions made by the delegates to the convention of the Provincial Liberal Party which is to begin its deliberations in Vancouver next Tuesday. Several hundreds of citizens professing the traditional Liberal faith will assemble in the mainland city, all of them chosen in their local party organization, for the express purpose of selecting a new leader to succeed Mr. Hart. They should, and no doubt will, approach their important task with the full knowledge that their choice may determine the fate of a provincial system of government which has worked exceedingly well since it was adopted in December, 1941, and which has won for this last great and promising frontier of the Dominion of Canada an enviable reputation in the administrative field.

Ever since the pact into which Mr. Hart and Mr. Maitland entered six years ago, we have argued consistently in these columns that there is little to differentiate between the provincial Liberal and the provincial Conservative. Admittedly, there are one or two lines of demarcation which may be drawn between the adherents to the philosophies of the two major political entities of this Dominion. Here again, however, the crisis which the Second World War projected across the global stage had the effect of removing many of those points of contention that historically set the traditional Liberal against the traditional Conservative.

It will be apparent to those Liberals and Progressive Conservatives who take time to consider the economic trends that have altered circumstances since Sir Wilfred Laurier, in 1897, lowered the Canadian tariff against goods which this country bought from Great Britain that the whole picture of world trade has taken on a much different perspective. Even the Empire Trade Pact of 1932, plus the impact of conditions in this time of troublous peace have substantially narrowed the gap between the former widely divergent party views on tariff matters. It is necessary that these phases of political evolution should be understood, not only by all qualified voters at this stage, but particularly by those British Columbians who will be taking part in the deliberations at the Vancouver gathering next week.

It is not within our province to advise the delegates as to what they should do. It is a meeting at which every person who takes part will, or should, act according to the dictates of his or her own conscience. What every delegate must bear in mind, however, is that the Liberal who is selected to succeed Mr. Hart doubtless will be recommended by the Premier—as his last official act—to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor as the person entitled to form the next administration. With this thoroughly appreciated, therefore, participants in the convention proceedings ought resolutely to put the future of the province first—and personal or partisan aggrandizement last.

WELCOME GUESTS

THE HEALTHY INTEREST SHOWN BY Greater Victoria in cultural events, and particularly those of local or regional origin, will again be apparent on Tuesday when the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Jacques Singer, presents its concert at the Royal Victoria Theatre. Music lovers of this city will no doubt find keen enjoyment in the program that has been arranged. They can be expected to attend in strength. The happy circumstances which bring the mainland musicians to this city represent more, however, than an appearance by an out-of-town musical organization. It is another sample of the friendliness and cohesion existing between the capital and British Columbia's largest city, a symbol of unity in advancing standards of intangible but definite values.

THE PRE-CHRISTMAS SESSION

LITTLE IN THE SPEECH FROM THE Throne with which the Governor-General opened the fourth session of Canada's 20th Parliament yesterday was either new or startling. A good deal of the agenda listed in detail had been foreshadowed by government announcements in recent weeks. Constitutional requirements and traditional parliamentary procedure, however, demand confirmation of policies initiated between times, likewise discussion and approval of others proposed by the ministry.

Shortage of American dollars from which this and other countries are suffering is related to the temporary "austerity program" which Finance Minister Abbott announced last month. This was the policy which, for the time being, at any rate, appeared to presage the removal of some of the "glit from the gingerbread" made by multilateral Geneva trade pacts—those long-term international tariff agreements from which much eventual good is expected. In the Governor-General's document, incidentally, is a specific intimation that Parliament will be asked to consider plans for a low-

rental housing project for veterans—a burning question which brooks no delay.

It is a commonplace, however, that Speeches from the Throne are usually more conspicuous for what they do not contain than for what they do. There is no reason to suppose that yesterday's presentation will be any exception to this familiar rule. The opposition, under the leadership of Mr. John Bracken, will exercise its right and privilege to view with alarm, or command, those policies which the government has pursued or intends to pursue. But the agenda as outlined, and other vitally-important matters that are likely to emerge from debate, obviously require intelligent and constructive thought. This is not the season for mischievous time-wasting.

TOP OF THE LIST

VICTORIANS, AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES who will be installed with the coming of the new year, will do well to give serious attention to the opinion of Mr. F. C. Stewart, consulting engineer, who in 1946 submitted a report on the local water supply system. Mr. Stewart now estimates a round figure of \$6,000,000 as the cost of improving the system to the point where it can adequately meet the demands of the growing population of Greater Victoria—a substantial increase over the \$4,250,000 estimate of last year. It is now five months since this expert recommended an "immediate start" on improvements, and the cost of materials and construction has risen steadily during that time. The magnitude of the project gives added emphasis to the need for a centralized controlling body to direct a unified effort by the city and municipalities. Provision of an adequate and healthful water supply for this area is too important an undertaking to secure anything less than first priority in our plans.

The matter is given still greater urgency by the recommendations of Dr. E. A. Cleveland, Vancouver Water Commissioner, who has made a report to the provincial government on the water supply of the southern part of the island. Mr. Cleveland is definite in urging that a Greater Victoria Water Board be formed to take over the existing supply systems and the responsibility for improvements which must shortly be carried out. The unanimity of these expert opinions should bring home to all residents the need for early action. Voters of this city will have an opportunity to express their wishes in the forthcoming plebiscite.

SHEER DESTRUCTIVENESS

THIS AND NO DOUBT OTHER NEWS-papers of Canada have received from week to week a series of articles headed, "Time For Decision," written by Mr. George W. James, of the Canadian Statesman, Bowmanville, Ontario. The author of these chatty discussions has persuaded himself that his analysis of conditions in these times may influence the public to which he caters.

If any spectator of our royal pageant wants to look at the works of the important chronicler of kings and queens, let him spend a night with the Old Vic company now staging in a manner befitting their great reputation, Shakespeare's "Richard II" and the "Taming of the Shrew." It is fair to add that the spectator will be lucky if he gets a seat, for every theatre or nearly every theatre, continues to show the "Full House" sign and there are long queues for all the cinemas in London's West End.

Austerity has sent us hurrying to the color of make-believe but we all rapidly come back to the grimmer world of exports and outputs.

MAJOR NEWS, of course, has been the publication of the Geneva tariffs agreements. These are so extensive and unwieldy that all the careful experts in Britain are withholding criticism.

Meanwhile the American scene is studied with the closest attention. Supporters of Britain's Government will be quick to point the lesson as President Truman calls on his countrymen for controls of food, clothes and rent and for price ceilings on those commodities that affect the basic cost of living.

In view of the foregoing it will appear to most intelligent Canadians that when the Bowmanville editor sets out to write history as he would have it appear, he is admitting to his own newspaper-reading audience that he is hoping to persuade his compatriots to think in terms of 1939 rather than in terms of 1947.

FRIENDLY FLOWER

IT SEEMS TO BE A FAMILY TRAIT OF the chrysanthemum that no matter from which branch it springs it has about it a shaggy air of unconventional friendliness. Even the most svelte, the giant gold or snowy blossoms that hold their petals in a proud sphere of well-groomed elegance, look as if they are struggling against another personality—one that rejects the stateliness of their formal perfection and seeks to relax into a comfortable, middle-aged spread. And though they can maintain the demeanor of the drawing-room, they look all too ready to retire to the kitchen for a quick cup of tea and less restrained gossip.

With the unpretentious garden variety, there is no opportunity for any pose. Buffeted by wind and rain, the outdoor chrysanthemum always looks mildly unkempt and bothered—a flustered young woman who cannot regain her composure, but who has the engaging frankness of a cheerful grin and a rugged vitality. Though she has her prim, small-buttoned cousins, she cannot be bothered with the pretense at coyness. Hers is not the season for careful make-up, for skillful manicure. She must seek admirers through the appeal of her simple, unsophisticated charm—an open-faced, cheerful nature that makes her a favorite among December's diminishing splendors.

A NOTHER was an electrician, whose son, a young schoolteacher, is also an accomplished amateur magician. A graduate engineer from the Polytechnical Institute did not want to give me his name for fear of the ridicule of his colleagues. His specialty was conjuring with goblets.

In this age of scientific marvels, illusion still has its power. None of the miracles seems more wonderful to a Scots grocer or a French electrician than the ones they themselves can fashion with their fingers and some bits of string.

London Letter

By GEORGE McCARTHY

IF THE MOST absorbing and romantic news recently has centred on Buckingham Palace and Westminster Abbey, the most important has been dug in the dark, deep mines of Britain's coalfields. The miners, most of them back now to a five-and-a-half-day week, produced in the week ending Nov. 15 more than four-and-a-quarter million tons of coal, the highest output since December, 1942, and achieved an almost similar total in the following week.

Already the new and improved output figures have brightened the winter prospects. If this goes on we shall do more than keep the home fires burning. We shall keep the blast furnaces alight and send out to sea again these dusty argosies that once enriched buyer and seller.

WE CAN EXPECT more good news from the mines. It is a tradition that the collier works at full pressure in the weeks before Christmas to be sure of having a merry holiday. This year it is more than a holiday "gold rush."

Thousands of miners have joined in the race for mounting output figures, and the new men are coming along. Some 30,000 workers from overseas and 10,000 youths from Germany are to be brought into the mines. Soon the targets will be rising.

But for high drama we have had to return to Britain's House of Commons, where Mr. Hugh Dalton, by one indiscretion, wiped out, at least temporarily, his own name from the role of the high officers of state. He has had the sombre, if comforting satisfaction, of hearing his most bitter opponents praise him for his ready acceptance of the exacting standards Britain demands of her public men.

Now that man of destiny, Sir Stafford Cripps, the new Chancellor of the Exchequer, takes over the biggest job in Britain. He has already declared himself in complete agreement with the terms of that supplementary budget that proved so fatal to Mr. Dalton's career, and he has given a prompt denial to those financiers who saw in his arrival a reversal of the Dalton campaign for cheap money.

NEVERTHELESS YOUTH has dominated the recent news. The Royal Bride has stolen the pictures and the headlines. London sprang from its austerity to line her wedding way with flags and flowers. And this old capital, clear in the cold bright days, has taken on a new youthful mantle. If our visitors from overseas are not getting much to eat or drink, there is plenty to see and hear—opera, ballet, drama, films, comedy, and music are on offer. Britain's own dramatists are in good form—Priestley, Coward and Emlyn Williams.

If any spectator of our royal pageant

Snug In Sheltered Waters

By GEORGE McCARTHY



Clouds in the western sky hold little menace for these members of Victoria's fishing fleet, pictured by Bill Hallock at their safe mooring.

The Moving Finger Writes . . .

TEACHER'S CREDITS

Mrs. A. B. Marshall's letter in your issue of December 3 is based upon a misapprehension.

The Greater Victoria Teachers' Association is not asking for recognition of full experience for teachers coming into Victoria from outside B.C. We are asking that teachers in this district be granted full experience for all teaching in public schools of B.C. This is general practice in other districts in B.C. but teachers in Greater Victoria at present are allowed a half year's experience for each full year of B.C. teaching experience up to a maximum of seven years. Teachers appointed from this year on are allowed a full year for each year of experience after June 1947.

(Miss) B. M. SUTTON, Secretary, G.V.T.A.

FOR CHILDREN

With UNRRA out of action and the International Children's Emergency Fund disposing of much fever means than necessary, thousands of children in liberated countries face starvation.

These who must have the mis-

called music of today can go to the many places catering for them, but, for heaven's sake, keep the park a peaceful sanctuary for the great mass of the people and their kiddies whose

one chance it is for natural peace and beauty.

C. ALLEN, 2512 Douglas Street.

GREAT THE REJOICING

The general rule is, most people take public services as a matter of course but after years and years of patiently waiting for bus accommodation up Cook and Maplewood districts

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ALICE MCGREGOR, 1190 Camrose Crescent.

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Having read a letter written by Mrs. Grimes in the Times of Nov. 29, I fully endorse it and am glad she has taken this step to bring to the notice of those

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(Miss) F. MARGARET DRAKE, 1237 St. David Street.

Global Survey

By DEWITT MACKENZIE, A.P. Foreign Affairs Analyst

WE ARE FACED with the tragic but certain fact that war—"cold" but nevertheless war—is being waged between Russia and the democracies, that Moscow's purpose is to Communize the world and that the democracies are determined to prevent this.

The question arises therefore why the combatants devote so much time and energy to international conferences which rarely reach agreement. Take for instance the bogged-down London conference.

Foreign Minister Molotov shows signs of being worried over the determination of the democracies to proceed with the organization of western Germany without Russia if the London conference fails. State Secretary Marshall, Foreign Secretary Bevin and Foreign Minister Bidault are gravely concerned over the Bolshevik upheavals in France and Italy—key objectives in Moscow's effort to stymie the whole Marshall Plan for rehabilitation of western Europe.

All this being so, why don't the combatants abandon their conferences and get ahead with the job of finishing that "cold war"? One hastens to add that this is a rhetorical question.

I think the chief reason they don't make a clean break is that both sides are appalled by the gravity of trying to run two worlds in an atomic age. They hate to admit officially that there are two worlds.

Moreover, neither side is absolutely sure of the real strength of the other.

If the Reds in France and Italy should succeed in their efforts to cause the downfall of the governments of those countries, Russia certainly would have taken a mighty stride toward winning its "cold war." The western Allies need time to get the plan into operation to give France and Italy the material aid with which to withstand the Communist aggression.

Strict Accounting

From Public Opinion

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, dealing with the spending of the loan from America, said:

"Take first the United Kingdom's direct expenditure in the United States—1,800 million dollars gross.

"Of this gross figure some 23 per cent was spent on food, 28 per cent on raw materials, including oil, 15 per cent on machinery, 7 per cent on ships, 10 per cent upon tobacco, 4 per cent on films and 13 per cent on keeping the Germans alive. Under the second head, United Kingdom expenditure of dollars in the western hemisphere of 960 million, 360 million of these were spent in Canada, 360 million in Central America and 240 million in South America, particularly the Argentine.

Practically the whole of this expenditure represents imports of food, oil and raw materials. To illustrate, the commodities were mainly wheat and timber from Canada, oil and sugar from Central America, meat, maize, hides and limes from South America.

"Where is the waste and dissipation in any of those figures?"

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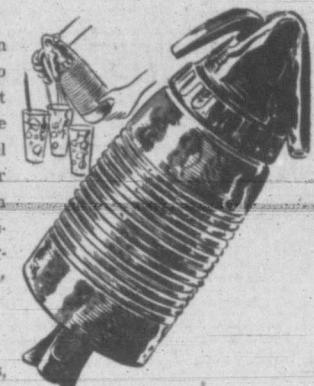
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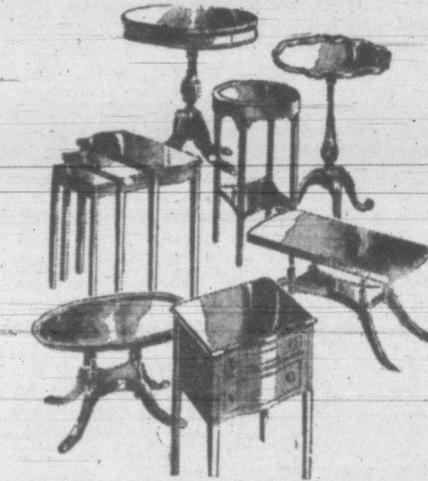
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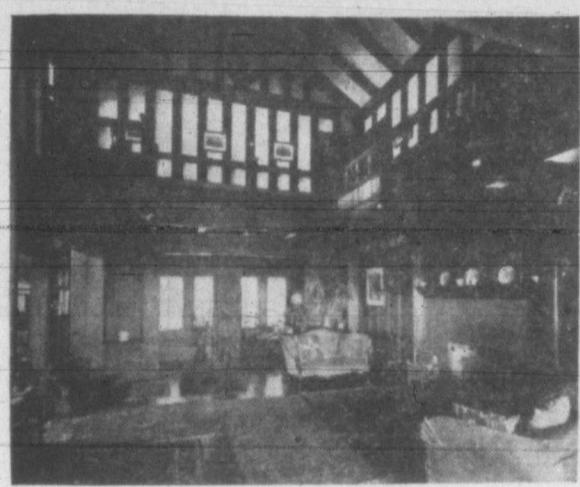


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Staff Promotion at Lovick's News Agency



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FRANK LAUGHLIN
Manager, Nanaimo Branch



DOUGLAS SMITH
Sales Representative

Following the policy of always advancing men from its own staff, Stan Wright, manager of Lovick's News Agency, has announced the promotion of Rex Jackson, Frank Laughlin and Douglas Smith.

REX JACKSON has been with Lovick's News Agency since 1938 as a route man and in the promotion department. He has an impressive war record, being a pilot in the Bomber Command. For 13 months he was a prisoner of war. Rex has lived in Victoria over 23 years.

FRANK LAUGHLIN is another 10-year man at Lovick's, joining the firm in October, 1938. He served in the R.C.A.F. over four and a half years in England and the Middle East as a flying officer. In his new position Frank will make his headquarters in Nanaimo, where he will supervise the distribution of all magazines and newspapers from Nanaimo to Courtenay.

DOUGLAS SMITH is one of the junior members of Lovick's News Agency. He joined the firm when he was 15 years old and now, at the age of 20, has been promoted to sales representative. He will be responsible for sales in Sidney, Chemainus, Ladysmith and Duncan. ***

Mr. King said the government was open to suggestions from the opposition and he then withdrew a motion that the House sit Wednesday and Friday evenings from next week on. This would have put the House on a working schedule of 3 p.m. to 11 with a two-hour break for din-

**Christian Science
Lecturer Speaks On
Efficacy Of Prayer**

Mrs. Elisabeth Carroll Scott, C.S.B., of Memphis, Tenn., a member of the Christian Science board of lectureship, First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass., delivered a lecture entitled "Christian Science: How Man Can Work the Works of God," in the First Church of Christ, Scientist, here Friday night. The lecturer was introduced by J. E. Pearson.

"Christian Scientists are praying people and Christian Science teaches them how to pray effectively," said Mrs. Scott. "It teaches us how to pray with spiritual understanding, how to affirm God's allness and from this standpoint to deny evil, for evil can have no place in the infinitude of God. As we pray according to this method we discover that the presence and power of God, divine principle, love, are forever at hand to bless us in the measure that we open our consciousness to receive the blessing.

"One must understand the oneness and allness of God in order to exercise God's power. All power, might, and dominion belong to God. Human beings express the divine power in the measure that they express the divine nature. It can be said with truth that men express God's power in the proportion that they express His tender, changeless love.

"The world has need of God-like men, those who know God and use their knowledge of Him; for only those who know God, only those who are themselves God-like, can exercise dominion over the world's ills; and lead mankind out of its confusion, its perplexities, and its fears.

"Christian Science shows us that we can help humanity's need, for it shows us that as children of God we have God-bestowed ability to do the works of God—to cast sickness, illness, and sin out of our own consciousness and experience and help others to overcome these false beliefs.

"In complete and joyous reliance on the infinitude of God, good, Christian Science disposes of evil and shows everyone who will heed its teachings how to exercise the power of God in bringing harmony to the world."

**Thugs Give Victim
5c To Phone Police**

SEATTLE (AP)—"Now I'm broke, how'll I telephone the police?" shouted John Dozier, as two men sped off in a car after robbing him of his wallet on a Seattle street early Friday.

One of the robbers leaned from the window and flipped a nickel back to the victim. Dozier then telephoned police that two men, in an automobile with the rear license plate covered with a paper sack, had menaced him with a revolver and taken his wallet containing \$14.85. Police blockaded nearby streets, but the pair escaped.

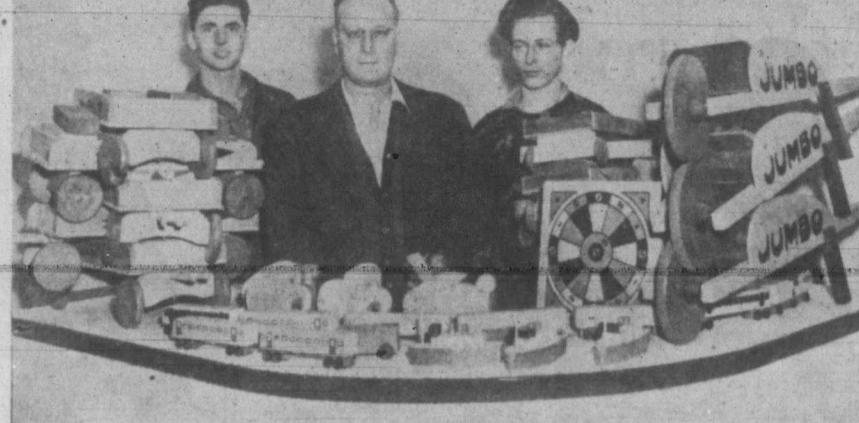
Police Cost Rise

DUNCAN—Increases in contributions toward the cost of policing the municipality in 1948, to the extent of 12½ per cent, were asked of North Cowichan Council.

The matter was tabled to the new council to deal with. Duncan was asked to provide an increase of 20 per cent for policing its area.

North Cowichan Council gave third reading to a by-law which will prevent persons who have been living in houseboats from escaping municipal taxation.

Christmas Toys For Protestant Orphanage



More than 100 toys have been assembled by Harold E. Ker and his two helpers for distribution to the Protestant Orphanage on Christmas Day. Mr. Ker has been playing the role of Santa Claus for the children since 1942. From left to right are Harold Lucas, Mr. Ker and Gill Aastrom

**Verigin Says Island Doukhobors
Against Use Of Force, Boycott**

NANAIMO (CP)—Doukhobors

of the Vancouver Island community of Hilliers do not want

their children to grow up with

the idea that "force and eco-

nomic boycott of our brother-

men are proper things to do,"

the Royal Commission on the

Doukhobor problem was told

Friday.

Joseph Podovinikoff, official

spokesman for Michael Verigin,

"Archangel" of the Hilliers

Doukhobors, also told the com-

mission, headed by Judge H. J.

Sullivan, New Westminster,

"we have not been recruiting mem-

bers to swell our ranks as has

been charged. If new members

have been coming here (to Hilliers)

it is because God has directed

them to do so."

The sect's attitude toward

other matters, equally mystify-

ing to Canadians, was voiced by

Florence Lebedoff, pretty 21-

year-old member of the Radical

Sons of Freedom sect and one of

the six wives of John Lebedoff.

As she and her husband sat in

the courtroom waiting to testify

before the commission, she told

why, according to Doukhobor be-

liefs, arson and destruction are

not only justifiable but neces-

sary.

"For you it is difficult to

understand," she said. "Forty-

eight years ago Queen Victoria

allowed Doukhobors to come to

Canada. We left Russia under a

cross of fire and both that cross

and that fire have followed us to

Canada in the year 1947."

"The persecution which caused

us to leave our homeland has

followed us wherever we have

gone."

"Burning in the fire is the

cleansing of evil, in Russia we

burned the Ikon by

firearms at breakfast, firearms at

dinner and homes and private

property at supper."

Probe Of Collision
Of Destroyer With
Freighter At End

HALIFAX (CP)—An inquiry

into the July collision between

the destroyer Micmac and the

freighter Yarmouth County

which took the lives of 11 navy

men ended Friday and answers

to 26 questions submitted by the

Transport Department will be

forwarded to Ottawa by Mr.

Justice W. F. Carroll, Judge in

Admiralty of the Exchequer

Court of Nova Scotia.

Reviewing 250,000 words of

testimony taken at earlier hearings,

counsel for the Dominion

government and Cmdr. J. C.

Littler of Victoria, captain of the

Micmac, argued that the accident

was caused by temporary "blind-

ness" of radar equipment by

the Yarmouth County's

failure to post lookouts on the

bow and in the crow's nest.

Another wartime secret of disas-

ter off Halifax was disclosed

Friday at the inquiry.

Mr. Justice Carroll told the

court about a United States de-

stroyer having been sliced in two

"almost in our harbor," with all

hands aboard the warship lost

when it was struck by a

freighter.

A third matter is the need for

extending the Transitional Emer-

gency Powers Act, under which

the government enforces rent

and other controls. The act is

scheduled to expire Dec. 31.

After the Christmas adjournment,

members will be asked to

deal with less urgent legislation,

including bills to increase the

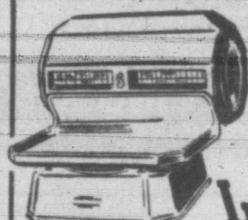
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P.E.I. Candidates Prepare For Final Drive Of Election

CHARLOTTETOWN (CP)—A week-end lull came to campaigning today, but the 77 candidates prepped themselves for Monday, and the final stretch drive to the Prince Edward Island general election, next Thursday.

Candidates confined themselves mostly to radio speeches. The radio ban on electioneering will come into effect at 11 p.m. Monday.

In the race for the 30 legislature seats in the 15 double-seat ridings are 30 Liberals, 30 Progressive Conservatives, 16 members of the C.C.F. and one independent Farm-Labor candidate. While the Liberals and Progressive Conservatives got into the election fight in every section of the province, the C.C.F. centred its campaign in western Prince district, where it has placed candidates in all five ridings. The C.C.F. failed to win a seat in the 1943 election—the first time it tried—while the Liberals captured 20, and the Progressive Conservatives 10.

Main campaign issues have been the Dominion-Provincial taxation deal, the price of feed grains and labor. Minor issues were roads, a drydock for Charlottetown, rural electrification and cold storage facilities. Nearly all candidates have skirted around the delicate liquor question.

Under Prince Edward Island's unique electoral system each party places two candidates in each of the 15 ridings, or as many as it can fill. One runs as a councillor, representing the "property" vote, the other as an assemblyman, representing the "franchise" vote. A property voter must own \$325 worth of property or be a clergyman or war veteran.

Their duty, according to Mr. Yardley, will be to examine

Customs Takes City Women On Force

Miss Elma Keeler, right, pins the official badge on the lapel of her fellow customs officer, Mrs. P. G. French, at the Canadian Customs office here this morning.

For the first time since 1935, women customs officers are on duty in Victoria. G. A. Yardley, collector of customs, announced today that two have been appointed for Victoria and one for Sidney.

They are Miss Elma Keeler and Mrs. P. G. French, who are on duty today in Victoria, and Miss Margaret Leigh, who is on duty at Sidney.

Their duty, according to Mr. Yardley, will be to examine

female passengers, both outward bound and inward bound. They will assist in the enforcement of Canada's new austerity restrictions and foreign exchange control board regulations.

On the mainland, another seven women have been taken on the customs strength at B.C. highway customs stations in an attempt to combat smuggling by feminine border-crossers of goods banned under the new restrictions.

Miss Keeler, prior to joining the customs service, spent seven years with the Hudson's Bay Co. traffic office. Mrs. French was with the King's Printer's office in the provincial government.

Their uniforms will be the regulation navy blue with brass buttons. As for the hats, even Mr. Yardley is not sure yet what they will be like, but the new officers, being women, hope for the tri-corner type, similar to that worn by Wren officers during the war.

Moslems Send 'Jitter Parties' To Break Kashmir Hindus' Morale

ON THE JAMMU FRONT, Kashmir (Reuter) — Moslem raiders in the Poonch sector of Kashmir, copying the tactics of Burma jungle fighting, are sending out "jitter parties" who shout war cries and bang away at doors indiscriminately with rifles and shotguns in a bid to break the morale of Indian Hindu troops opposing the raiders in this northern Indian province.

"Free Kashmir" forces advancing south following the capture of Akhnur, strategic town in south Kashmir, were reported during the night to be in close pursuit of Indian troops retreating towards Jammu, Kashmir's winter capital.

The invading forces are Moslems angered at the desire of Kashmir to join the Hindu Dominion of India.

A "free Kashmir" government" communiqué said advance guards had crossed the river Chenab, just outside Akhnur and 20 miles from Jammu.

Periodically, it issues communiques to newspapers, which dispose of them at their discretion. When they contend that the D.M.C. has started a war against Santa Claus, they overreach by far the intent of the last communiqué.

Like the first message, it bore only the initials of the committee name.

After Thursday's communiqué, members of the committee successfully resisted all efforts to be drawn out in the open.

Indian positions northwest of the town of Poonch have been subjected to heavy mortar and sniping attacks.

Meanwhile raiders and insurgents, using trails charted by the Moghul rulers more than 500 years ago, are threatening the Indian army's 80-mile line of supply and communications from Jammu to Jhangar.

They are trying to effect a link between their forces operating from Bhimpur and Mirpur and their base at Rajaori to the east.

Thousands of refugees, obsessed with fear, are trekking anything up to 100 miles in straggling processions to the defensive perimeters. There have been few sights in war as tragic and pathetic, as those columns of bedraggled, hungry people.

Some are half naked and have not eaten for three days. Others suck a little nourishment from sugar cane which grows in fields by the wayside.

Jap Peace Conference May Start This Winter With Soviet Absent

OTTAWA (CP)—The Japanese peace conference may begin late this winter without Russian participation.

As a result of private talks in London among United States, British, French and Russian officials attending the Council of Foreign Ministers meeting on Friday, a final decision on this Japanese conference is anticipated within a month or so.

It is probable the 10 countries on the Far Eastern Commission, other than the Soviet Union which is the 11th member, will attend the conference on an equal basis, with the procedure calling for a two-thirds vote in making decisions.

TALK OF BOYCOTT
The Soviet Union insists the Council of Foreign Ministers write the Japanese settlement, without active participation of other Pacific powers, and is expected to boycott the conference if the others decide to go ahead.

The "all-in" proposal is an American one, heartily endorsed by middle states such as Canada and Australia.

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Unveil Mix Monument

FLORENCE, Ariz. (AP)—The strains of "Empty Saddles" floated out over the desert Friday as monument to Tom Mix, the western motion picture star, was dedicated on the spot where he was killed in an automobile accident seven years ago. Cowboy actor Gene Autry sang songs of the range as 300 persons crowded around a shaft of native boulders.

PUBLIC MEETING

OAK BAY HIGH SCHOOL
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WED., Dec. 10
at 8 p.m.

The Reeve and other members of Oak Bay's governing bodies will address the meeting.

Public Meeting

The Reeve and other members of ESQUIMALT's governing bodies will address a meeting to be held at the MUNICIPAL HALL, ESQUIMALT, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10, at 8 p.m.

Candidates for municipal office will be permitted to speak.

Wismer Plans Guidance Board To Aid Young Delinquents

Establishment of an after-care society to see that delinquent youths are given a decent start in life after they are discharged from Borstal Schools, has been announced by Attorney-General Gordon Wismer.

Mr. Wismer explained the plan for the formation of the new organization at a meeting of the Fraternal Order of Eagles held in the Eagles' Home Friday at which Gerald W. Mason, national youth guidance chairman of the Grand Aerie, F.O.E., was the main speaker.

Stating that the new organization would be a step towards much needed penal reforms, Mr. Wismer said the after-care society would be composed of representatives of religious, social and service organizations, including doctors, psychiatrists and educationalists.

He said the organization would be formed in the near future and its purpose would be to see that every boy who was discharged from a Borstal School was given a fair chance to make good in the world.

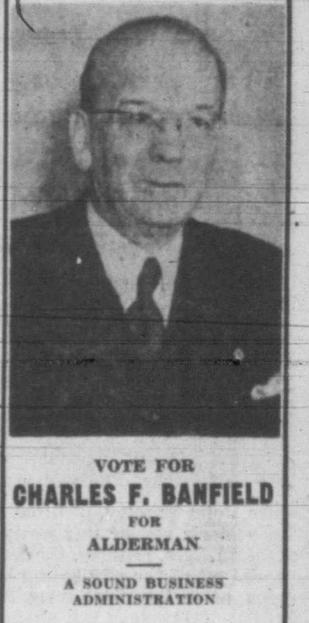
"I'm not going to ask citizens to do too much," he added, but

if all citizens co-operate, I feel sure we can curb the crime wave and make decent men of wayward youths."

Canada was 50 years behind England with regard to penal reforms, Mr. Wismer said. "It is time we started to modernize our system. Once you have put a uniform and number on a young offender, you have shut the door on the possibility of his returning to society as an honest citizen."

Mr. Wismer referred to the long fight British Columbia had to establish the Borstal system which was similar in many respects to the British system. He expressed the hope that Borstal schools would spread through the rest of Canada.

"The Dominion authorities should have started this system years ago," he said. "We are far behind England in the treatment of our criminals."



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James NEELY



The above Victoria men have been endorsed by the Civic Non-Partisan League as candidates in next Thursday's elections. Three other candidates endorsed by the league, Mayor Percy E. George and School Trustees R. H. Green and A. W. Trevett, have all been elected by acclamation. Your support is solicited for the remainder of the candidates recommended by the league.

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Return From Ottawa To Home In Victoria



Mrs. John Barclay, pictured above with her daughters, Ann and small Janet, arrived in Victoria earlier this week with Lt.-Cmdr. Barclay following two years spent in Ottawa. Mrs. Barclay, the former Miss Elizabeth Martin, was prominent in the younger social set of the city before her marriage and will be remembered as one of the city's most attractive debutantes. She is the granddaughter of the late Mrs. John Galt. The Barcleys will again live in their former home on Linkleas Avenue.

Gonzales Chapter, I.O.D.E., sewing meeting, Monday at 2, home of Mrs. A. Chisholm, 1146 St. David Street. . . . St. Mark's W.A., regular meeting, Tuesday at 2, parish hall. Annual meeting at 3 o'clock.

Elizabeth Stewart, a Bride In Candlelight Ceremony

At a candlelit wedding ceremony by Rev. J. L. W. McLean in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Friday evening, Elizabeth Fairley Miller Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stewart, 577 Tait Street, became the bride of Raymond Frederick Pengelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Pengelly, 3915 Carey Road.

The church was decorated with chrysanthemums in pink and white, and music was provided by Mrs. Marjorie Justice, who sang "O Perfect Love," and C. C. Warren, organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of white slipper satin, with long sleeves, sweetheart neckline edged with ruching lace to form an Elizabethan collar, and full skirt with long train. She wore a single strand of pearls and carried a pink colonial bouquet, while Miss Lola Pengelly wore deep blue sheer with lace insets, and also carried a pink colonial bouquet.

Alfred Pengelly was best man, and ushers were Robert Stewart and Frank Edwards.

Receiving guests at a reception held in Terry's banquet-room were Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Pengelly, and a toast to the bride was proposed by Robert Abbott. Centring the bridal table was a three-tier wedding cake topped with a miniature bouquet and flanked by pink and white tapers.

On leaving for a honeymoon on the mainland the bride wore an aqua blue crepe dress, blue topcoat, black accessories and a corsage bouquet of gardenias.

Her trio of attendants were dressed in gowns of pastel sheer material, with contrasting halo headresses. Miss Ann Stewart

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Pre-Christmas Parties At Government House

The Christmas season program at Government House will be ushered in next Wednesday afternoon, when His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Charles A. Banks entertain at the annual party for children of the Protestant Orphanage and Children's Aid Society. Gifts

will be presented to each child by Santa Claus from a huge lighted tree in the ballroom.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Banks will also entertain at a pre-Christmas evening, will travel to Grand Forks, where they plan to make their home.

Returns From England

Miss Pamela Bampus, who arrived in Canada from England recently, is at present the guest of her cousin and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. S. Bampus, Beach Drive.

Tea-Hour Guests

Members of the Kappa Gamma Sorority will entertain friends Sunday afternoon at the tea hour, at the home of their president, Miss Helena Hunkin, 522 Trutch

Street. Invited to preside at the tea table, which will be decorated in the Christmas motif, are Miss Donna Munro and Miss Pat Meagher. There will be 25 guests.

Mrs. J. L. Ford has returned to her Linden Avenue home following a short visit in Vancouver.

Mrs. James L. Kemp of Ottawa, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. R. E. Bell, at the Empress Hotel for the past month, is returning by plane to her home in the east on Sunday.

Mrs. Dorothy Gray, Colquitz Avenue, will entertain 80 young guests this evening at St. Martin's-in-the-Field Hall, in honor of her daughter, Audrey, on the occasion of her 18th birthday.

Attorney-General and Mrs. Gordon Wismer will leave for Vancouver tonight to spend the coming week in the mainland city. They will be guests at Hotel Vancouver.

Mrs. Ella Jacoby Walker of Edmonton, author of the recently published Canadian book "Fortress North," will be a visitor in Victoria the latter part of next week and will be the guest of Mrs. Norman Clark, Cedar Hill Road.

Miss Patricia Kirchin, a December bride-elect, was the recipient of many useful gifts at a miscellaneous shower held in her honor on Thursday evening. The invited guests were: Mesdames I. Dunkley, S. Anderson, N. Babe, M. Mitchell, A. Manchor, R. Hankie, D. Cole, H. Heatley, N. Thornton, Misses Kay Ring, Gertrude Richter, Helen Mills, May Connor, Isabel Duncan, Adelle Venturini and Mabel Elkington.

Mrs. Ada McGeer, who came to Victoria Friday morning from Vancouver to speak at the Women's Canadian Club, was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Rupp. They were the guests of Mrs. McGeer's sister, Mrs. H. A. Udall, Fernwood Road, and returned to the mainland this afternoon. Mrs. Rupp will leave very soon for New York City to join her husband and make her home there.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Beattie have arrived in the city from Sudbury, Ont., to make their home here and are now living at 2302 Florence Street, Oak Bay. Mr. Beattie is a well-known musician and held an appointment as organist and director of music in Sudbury for 20 years. He studied under many masters including Ramsay Gellie, piano; Dr. Sprankling of Cambridge for theory and Dr. W. B. Ross, F.R.C.O., Edinburgh, Scotland, for organ.

Out-of-town guests who are in the city to attend the wedding of Miss Betty Harris and Mr. Joseph Tuka this evening are Mr. and Mrs. J. Tuka, parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. George Tuka, brother and sister-in-law of the groom, Mrs. E. Dobie, Mr. John Varga, Mr. Alf Wood and Mr. Shelby Selmens, all of New Westminster; Miss Vera Goddard of Langley Prairie; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dunk, sister and brother-in-law of the bride, from Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLoughlin and Mr. and Mrs. K. Koehler of Seattle; and Mr. and Mrs. O. H. New of Vancouver.

Miss Betty Harris, a December bride-elect, was honored recently at a shower held at the home of Mrs. James Wilby, 414 Government Street, by relatives and friends of the bride. Upon her arrival Miss Harris was presented with a corsage bouquet of pink rosebuds, and her mother one of carnations. Later Miss Harris received a pressure cooker, the gift of assembled guests. Among those present were Mesdames C. Bilecock, Thomas, Geo. Kelman, A. Homer, Cameron, A. Johnson, Nora Schulz, Vera Sargent, Katie Logie, Naomi Wooley, T. Jones, Mary McLaren, J. Stevenson, Olive Prescott, M. Kochier, W. E. G. McLagan, and the Misses C. Stevenson, M. Prescott and M. E. McLagan.

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Artists Appear On 'Three In One' Show

Artists who entertained a packed hall at the "Three In One," pre-Christmas C.C.F. social held recently at Woodsworth Hall, were Frances Finsand and Harold Taylor, western songs; Norman Maynard, baritone; Lorraine Cornish, piano; Reg Stofer, musical saw; Betty Rennie, radio song skit; Doreen Collic, violin and Tom Elder, announcer. Many visitors attended the bazaar in the afternoon and the dance which concluded the evening affair.

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Radio Program Producer Speaks To Women's Club

Radio is one of the most potent forces in our world today," Mrs. Ada McGeer told members of the Women's Canadian Club at a meeting in the Empress Hotel, Friday afternoon.

"It was a great weapon in time of war and will be an even greater weapon for peace," she said.

"Because of its X-ray quality, the coming generation will have a chance of detecting the false and unworthy and to come to the realization that it is not bigger and better armies but great ideals that will make a better world in which to live."

Mrs. McGeer, who has been a producer and in charge of auditions at Vancouver with CBC for nearly 10 years, gave a brief resume of the growth of radio, the radio habits of the people, and their favorite programs. She spoke of the world-renowned radio artists she has worked with and of the many and varied things she has done during her radio years.

"All radio work is fascinating," she explained, "and one feels amply repaid for what is accomplished at such high tension."

"But the work that gives the richest returns is the development of the young artist. It gives one a feeling of having a stake in the future."

Explaining this statement, Mrs. McGeer said that in the time she has been in charge of auditions nearly 1,900 candidates have been heard for vocal, instrumental and dramatic work and of these

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Bert Pearson presented a paper on probation from the Study Manual of the National Probation Association at the monthly meeting of the Juvenile and Probation Officers' Committee. Miss M. Wright also gave a paper on the psychology of delinquency.

View Royal Out To Combat Fire Danger In Area

The committee, struck some time ago by the View Royal Community Association to investigate the matter of what it would cost to install adequate facilities to combat fires in the community, is now armed with all the information it could gather and will present a report to the executive Monday night. The Committee has gone a long way to get the information desired.

Intention is to present a plan to the ratepayers of the community for approval, H. B. Stevens, president, reports.

First move to secure good fire-fighting facilities to cover the whole area was instigated by the association last year after a home occupied by two nurses had been burned to the ground. Lack of fire-fighting equipment resulted in the total loss of the building.

A situation that might have resulted in the same kind of climax occurred Thursday night at the home of Miss Emily Morrison, 265 View Royal Road, had it not been for the quick action of Constable Jack Lockie of the Provincial Police and neighbor, William Townsend. When Miss Morrison rushed into the Townsend home at 11:45 that night clad in night attire and told of a fire in her home, Constable Lockie was immediately contacted. Armed with an axe and pails of water, the constable and Mr. Townsend finally extinguished the blaze.

Officials of the association point to this and other instances of damage by fire as proof of the imperative need of equipment.

Restrict Parking Along Douglas Street

To speed up bus service and retain the maximum parking space along Douglas Street, the public works committee Friday by agreement with B.C.E.R. officials, stated three of the new bus stops would be eliminated.

Those done away with are in front of David Spencer Ltd., the east side of Douglas Street north of View and Johnson Streets.

Parking in areas adjacent to the remaining zones during rush hours will be restricted to give more space for handling heavier bus traffic. Parking on the east side of Douglas Street will be prohibited between 4 and 6 p.m. and on the west side between 7 and 9 p.m.

W. P. Jeune To Seek School Board Seat

Walter P. Jeune, 3256 Rutledge Street, announced Friday he would seek election as trustee for School District No. 61 in the Saanich elections Dec. 13. He is a former member of the board, serving as a trustee for eight years, 1928 to 1937, the latter four years as chairman. Mr. Jeune is now retired and says that he will be able to devote all his time to school affairs.

The entry of Mr. Jeune makes an election contest for this Saanich seat on the Greater Victoria School Board. Trustee Arnold Edmonds having already registered his papers to seek re-election.

A-Bomb Material Black Marketed

BERLIN (Reuter) — A high United States Military Government official said Friday that "there is very strong evidence that German scientists are producing large quantities of mesothorium, a radioactive metal mainly used in nuclear fission and the manufacture of atomic bombs, for one of the occupying powers here."

United States forces were confiscating stocks of the metal being offered on the black market here, it was stated.

Quantities of mesothorium and of radium, together worth at least \$1,000,000, were already in American hands after a raid by criminal investigation department men, the official said. Twenty Germans and a Dutchman were arrested in the raid.

The criminal investigation department, the official said, was seeking a German girl suspected of being in possession of more of the metal.

Sixty members and guests attended a banquet and social evening, sponsored by the Victoria Amateur Movie Club, at the Douglas Hotel. E. Crookford entertained with magic and sleight-of-hand. Two films produced by E. Foulds and C. H. Bacon, both members of the club, were shown on the screen and received high praise.

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Imperial Bank Moves Back To Yates And Government

For months past the site of the Imperial Bank of Canada, on Yates and Government Streets, has been shrouded in scaffolding and boarding, being practically rebuilt in preparation for the reopening of the modern building that stands there today.

Now the staff has returned from the temporary offices and the doors are open for business on the old site but in premises worthy of the highest traditions of the Imperial Bank.

It was practically 48 years ago that the Imperial Bank first opened its doors in Victoria, and in the same location. When the premises were first taken over they were occupied by Cole's saloon, a familiar name to many old-time residents. What was at the time a modern building was occupied and business was conducted without a break until it was decided to modernize and reconstruct the premises last year.

The officers of the Imperial Bank in Victoria issue a cordial welcome to the public to inspect their new premises on the opening day and to inspect the modern design and planning that has made this the last word in banking convenience.

City Manager Of Imperial Bank

for many years. He joined the staff of the Imperial in 1916 and has risen steadily in the service. In various capacities he has been with the bank in Revelstoke, Winnipeg, Regina and Edmonton returning to Victoria in March of last year to assume control of the city branch. During the war he was four years overseas with the Canadian Army, serving with military government formations.

SAANICH RECREATION COUNCIL

At a meeting of Saanich Recreation Council held Friday night, with Councillor E. P. Cummings, president, in the chair, the council welcomed as a new member, the Saanich and Suburban Community Centre, represented by their delegates, W. Green and Reg Freemantle. C. A. Price, Cordova Bay Community Club, attended with the idea of operating a sponsored playground next summer. A motion was passed to support the Parent-Teacher Association District Council in connection with the banning of salacious literature.

D. N. W. Grubb, manager of the Victoria branch of the Imperial Bank, which is now established in a fine new building on Government at Yates. Mr. Grubb is well known in Victoria, being a native son and a resident here

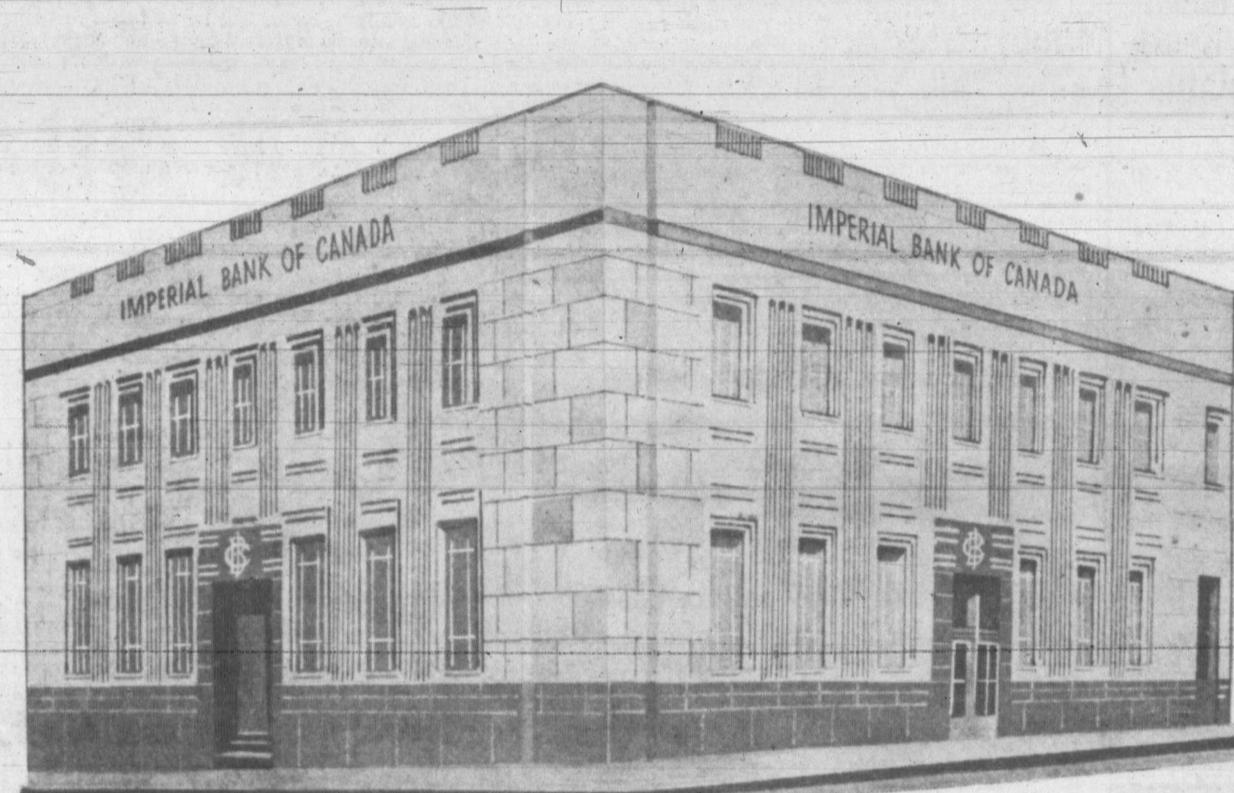
Motorcyclists Get Court Warning

A. I. Thomas, J.P., warned motorcyclists who exceed the speed limit and do other dangerous acts while traveling along the Island Highway that he will be even more severe than the three he dealt with in provincial police court Friday.

Three motorcyclists who were apprehended in a group Sunday by provincial police not only traveled at speeds greatly in excess of 30 miles an hour in limit zones, but were also weaving in and out of traffic. Constable Jack Lockie paced them and radioed ahead to another police vehicle, which blocked their route.

They were charged with exceeding the speed limit. Two were fined \$25 and \$2.50 each, the third \$20 and the same costs.

of Greater Victoria Recreation Council reported on activities of this organization.



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Dr. Pandia Gives Dinner At Duncan

DUNCAN India's place in the British Empire is stronger now than ever before, Dr. D. P. Pandia, representative in Canada of the Indian National Congress, said at a complimentary dinner he gave at the Commercial Hotel here.

Mayor J. C. Wragg and members of the city council, representatives of the Canadian Legion, service clubs and prominent members of the local East Indian and Chinese communities, were Dr. Pandia's guests.

When the British surrendered the reins of government to the people of India, the people of Hindustan were given a feeling of equality with the other branches of the British Commonwealth of Nations, Dr. Pandia said, adding that they had no desire to desert the Empire.

"Lord Mountbatten is the most popular man in India," he said. Canada's granting of the franchise to East Indians within her borders had done much to foster the feeling of equality, he added.

Key Industrial, Mining Stocks Take Sizeable Losses This Week

By CANADIAN PRESS

Stock markets negotiated the first week in December on a downward trend and key industrial and mining stocks slipped daily to aggregate sizeable losses at the close of Canadian markets Friday.

New York Friday suffered one of its sharpest nosedives of the

year, with stock leaders dropping one to eight points in active trading. Losses in Toronto were definite, but with volume light the retreat was not as sharp. In Montreal, stocks generally sought lower levels.

Professional traders and the investing public faced many problems through the week and caution prevailed as the European situation became cloudier daily and the domestic scene remained unsettled with the "wage-price" spiral commanding attention of governments in Canada and the United States. Pleasing dividends, record earnings, high activity in business and industry, expanding production in many spheres were reported daily, but markets did not respond.

Labor leaders announced their unions—primarily in basic industries—will ask for higher wages. Business leaders urged that wage demands be curtailed and attention concentrated on increased production to put a halt to the ascending cost of living.

The "wait-and-see" policy was reflected in lowered volume on the Toronto exchange when only 3,538,000 shares were traded during the week. The exchange's closing index Friday showed industrials down 4.20 for the week, golds 3.43, base metals 1.74. Western oils advanced .13.

PAPERS LOSE

Papers were substantially off and even announcement Thursday of increased newsprint prices did not prevent a further drop.

Steels reacted to union talk of increased wage demands and started the backward move at mid-week, while foods retreated in face of widespread discussion of price controls. Liquors moved back fractions to more than two points.

Golds continued the downward drift staged shortly after the government's bonus announcement in mid-November and this week the descent was accelerated with producing mine stocks leading the retreat.

In Montreal the weekly volume was down to 742,000 shares. Index changes for the week showed banks off .26, utilities .7, industrials 1.3, combined 1.1, papers 14.05, golds 1.11.

Grain prices in Chicago and Winnipeg fluctuated with weather and world supply reports but livestock in Winnipeg, Montreal and Toronto remained firm in moderate action.

Building permits have been issued to H. Mautel to erect four stores at 810-12-14-16 Humboldt Street, \$9,880; and to A. F. Wales to build a garage at 728 Herald Street, \$3,200.

N. H. Lausanne was fined \$30 and Archibald A. MacKinnon \$35, by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court yesterday when they pleaded guilty to dangerous driving. The charge against MacKinnon arose from an accident at Government and Humboldt Streets, Dec. 2, and the one against the other came from an accident he was involved in Dec. 4 on Quadra Street. Both motorists were handed driving license suspensions of one month.

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It will be the second concert of the winter series presented by Victoria Symphony Society. The program follows: Overture, "Egmont," Beethoven, Symphony in C Major (K-551, "Jupiter"), Mozart; 1, Allegro, Vivace; 2, Andante, Cantabile; 3, Menuetto; 4, Finale, Molto Allegro.

Introductions to the first and third acts of Lohengrin, Wagner; Little Fugue (C Minor), Bach; Lieutenant Kijo, Prokofieff; 1, The Birth of Kijo, 2, Kijo's Wedding, 3, Troika; The Iron Foundry, Mossoloff; Red Cavalry March, Gould.

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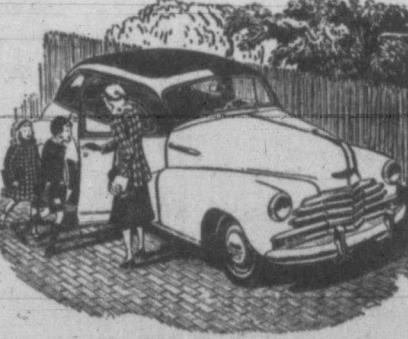
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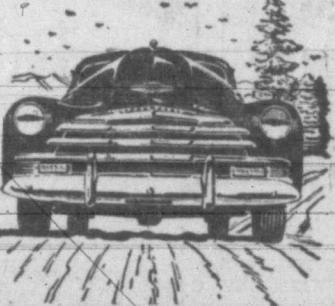
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UNDISTINGUISHED COLLECTION

"Phantom Caravan," by Margaret Fulton Frame (Tower Books).

A RATHER undistinguished collection of verse is offered in "Phantom Caravan," by the Ottawa poetess, Margaret Fulton Frame.

The small volume of 48 pages is published in a limited edition of 500 copies and has a forward written by W. J. Huplow, literary editor of the Ottawa Evening Citizen.

The 40, verses are written in careful rhyming pattern, which to the reader who has become accustomed to seeing the modern poetic idiom in free verse, is a decided detraction. The author appears to have fallen just short of the true poetic, which can break through the most rigid discipline of poetic forms or soar untrammeled in modern free verse.

BOOK NOTES

A chance to win \$15,000, \$10,000 or \$5,000 for a book, or \$5,000, \$3,000 or \$2,000 for a full-length Broadway play is being offered by Christophers Book and Play Awards. The contest closes Nov. 15, 1948, and the prizes are eight gifts, with all rights remaining with the author. The judges for the book contest include Clare Booth Luce and Mary O'Hara; and in the play contest judges include Katharine Cornell, Eddie Dowling and Leo McCarey. Canadians are eligible for the competition, and rules can be obtained from The Christophers, 121 East 39th Street, New York 16.

Library Leaders

David Spencer Ltd.: "Nothing So Strange" by James Hilton; "A Certain Rich Man" by Vincent Sheean; and "Challenge to Destiny" by Ethel Boileau and Baxter Ellis.

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Callup Poll

B.C. Wants More Food Saved To Aid People In Britain

By Canadian Institute of Public Opinion

How does the average Canadian stand on aid to Europe?

Faced by high prices and shortages, due in large part to Europe's needs, Canadians reacted this way to a national survey just completed by the Gallup Poll:

Four in every ten feel that the people of their own community are wasting an unnecessarily large amount of food. On the other hand, nearly five in ten feel that their communities are doing all that is possible to avoid waste.

Among housewives themselves, three in every ten admit they could use less food without hardship.

To take a basic product, the net estimate of housewives as to how much butter is used per capita by Canadians is about 10½ ounces per week, against a current allowance in United Kingdom of three ounces per week.

In making this national survey, Gallup Poll interviewers asked representative Canadians, first:

"Speaking of people in this community, do you think they are doing all they can to avoid wasting food so that bigger shipments can be sent to Europe, or should more be done?"

Doing all possible 48% Should do more 40% Qualified 8% Undecided 4%

Total 100%

Answers to this question varied quite sharply from province to province, all the way from 70 per cent in Quebec who feel their communities are doing all that is possible to only about 28 per cent in British Columbia who feel the same way.

Those who thought that more should be done, were asked:

"What more do you think should be done?"

Most thought it was a matter

of individual effort in using less food, cutting down on elaborate parties and menus. Comparatively few voted for re-imposition of rationing, although this was the next most frequent response.

A representative sample of housewives were asked the next question:

"In your home, are you using only what food is really necessary, or could you use less without hardship?"

A big majority of housewives felt they were using only what food was necessary:

Only necessary food 68% Could use less 26% Undecided 6%

Total 100%

Major differences show up between the various income groups. The next table shows how housewives belonging to the three main economic groups answered the question:

Only necessary food 47% Could use less 38% Undecided 15%

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Harold Paulding Tops All Tenpin Bowlers

A check-up this week of the individual averages of the tenpin bowlers in the three major tenpin bowling leagues in operation at Gibson's Bowldrome shows Harold Paulding of the Sussex Cafe squad of Gibson's Senior Tenpin League to be heading the parade with an average of 185 in 18 games.

Three members of the Mixed Tenpin League share the runner-up spot with marks of 180. They are Gordie Law of Kersey's Best, Bill Holness of Imperials, and Ken Munn of Rangers.

Top man in the Commercial League is Walt Davis of Chevrons with a 178 average.

Record holders in the three loops up until this week are: Walt Davis with a season's high three-game total of 625 and A. Holland with a high single of 232 in the Commercial League; Marge Beaney with 637 for three games and a perfect game for high single in the Mixed Tenpin loop and Malm with a three-game total of 617, and Cliff with the high single of 239 in Gibson's circuit.

Meanwhile with just one week to go Harknett Fuel have sewed up the championship of the first round of the Commercial League. With 28 wins in 36 starts they lead Tillicums by four games. Duffy's are third, three games ahead of Kersey's Best and Canadians.

WATSON'S STILL FIRST

Watson's continue to head Gibson's loop by a three-game edge over Toggeray Shop. Strathcona Cafe are third with Army and Navy Vets fourth, nine games out of first place.

Sparked by the fine performance of Rosy McLellan who trundled a three-game skein of 884, Canada Packers jumped into a three-point lead at the top of the Commercial Fivepin loop. Watson's and Coco Cola, each with seven points, are tied for the runner-up position.

Cy Wallis boasts the best individual average in this loop with a 252 mark. Carl Pederson with 238 holds a four-point edge over third place holder McLellan. Andy DeGiroamo with 233, Ernie Ball and B. Acres with 231 round out the first six.

In the Rotary and Kiwanis League, No. 9 team leads with 18 victories and 15 defeats. The race for second place is close with three teams, Nos. 8, 7 and 6 tied with 117 wins.

Langley Lions remain atop the B.C.E.R. loop, two games ahead of Gascons. Has Beens with one loss in 18 starts head the Ladies' Commercial circuit, while Skylarks have a four-game lead over Maple Leafs in the New Method League.

Another close race is in progress in the Canadian Legion Fivepin League with Naval Vets ahead by five games and Pro Pats No. 2, Britannia Branch No. 1 and Naval Vets No. 2 tied for second place.

Other league leaders are Silver Springs in the Financial loop, Lucky Strikes in the Mixed Tenpin circuit and Pippins in the Mixed Fivepin League. The Shop trundlers head Wilson's League with Duds showing the way in the Civil Service League.

Varsity Cagers In Single Point Win

SEATTLE (AP) — In a wild finish, the University of British Columbia Basketball Thunderbirds edged out Seattle College 59 to 58 tonight after a nip-and-tuck battle. Seattle College led at halftime 26 to 25.

With the count knotted at 55-all with a minute and a half to go, Nev Munro of the visitors sank a basket to put his team ahead 57 to 55 and his mates tried to freeze the ball. Earl Spangler of Seattle, dropped in a free throw. Reid Mitchell of the British Columbia team, made a couple of free throws good and Norm Willis, Seattle College, sank a basket but it was not enough.

Bobby Haas, University of British Columbia center, was high scorer with 17 points and Dave Blakeley, Seattle College forward, was high for his team with 13.

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Australian Rugby Squad To Play Here In March

The touring Australian rugby fifteen will play in Victoria March 7 against the local Crimson Tide. Archie Gibbs, president of the British Columbia Rugby Union, announced last night.

Negotiations which were started over a year and a half ago were concluded last night with the receipt of a telegram from the Aussies stating that they would play two and possibly three games in British Columbia next year. Tentative arrangements call for the visitors to play in Vancouver Feb. 28 and in Victoria the following week. A third game if scheduled would probably be against a B.C. rep team.

The Australian squad has lost but one game in their present tour of the British Isles. Following the international matches scheduled in England the team will leave for Canada, arriving in Vancouver Feb. 24.

Other games are booked for the boys from down under in California against Stanford, University of California and a Northern California Rugby Union squad.

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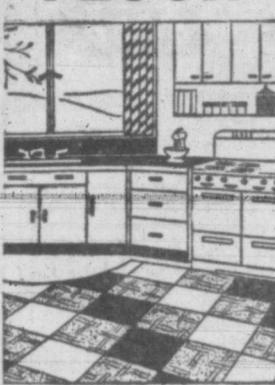
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Christmas Employment Swings Up For Women; Down For Men

Christmas employment picture for women took a quick upward swing yesterday with the first dozen of orders for part-time workers received from many Victoria stores. Miss Isabel Bescooby, supervisor of the women's division of the National Employment Service, said today.

Of the men's Christmas employment situation, however, the picture was not so good according to Walter D. Rutherford, supervisor of the Insurance Branch of the National Employment Service, who said it was the "slowest Christmas" the service has seen since its inception in 1941.

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Victorian Wins Drama Award

Cleveland Urges District To Control Victoria Water Supply

The program of water development necessary to maintain the supply for the citizens of the southern tip of Vancouver Island can best be carried out by a water district formed to include Victoria, Esquimalt, Saanich and Oak Bay, Dr. A. E. Cleveland, special commissioner who investigated the problem, has stated in a report submitted to Lands Minister E. T. Kenney.

A 10-page summary of Dr. Cleveland's recommendations has been sent to Ald. F. N. Cabellu, chairman of the city water board, and Mayor Percy George. There was no statement as to when the full report might be expected.

Citizens of Victoria, Oak Bay and Saanich will be voting on "Are you in favor of the creation of a Greater Victoria water district?" and Ald. Cabellu said that no further negotiations or action would be taken until after the results are known.

Dr. Cleveland did not, in his summary, discuss the price which the city should charge the water board for its water supply system, or the manner in which it should be paid.

TO SERVE 300,000

He estimated that up-wards of 95,000 people are now receiving water from the Victoria supply systems of Sooke and Goldstream and noted that increasing demands due to growth of population require that additional supply-pipe capacity be provided at the earliest possible date. When fully developed, he estimated the safe annual yield of water from the two systems could take care of a population of 250,000 to 300,000.

Regarding development of the present facilities, Dr. Cleveland agrees with F. C. Stewart, consulting engineer, who in 1945 made a thorough survey of the city-owned water systems, that work should not be delayed. The first item which is of emergent importance is the 36-inch connecting main from Japan Gulch to Humpback Reservoir, which would allow greater use of Goldstream capacity for peak demands.

The second item is construction of a new 26-inch main from Humpback to the city, and its extension to the boundary of Oak Bay for the more adequate supply of that area. It has been estimated this will cost \$1,500,000.

AT PEAK LOAD

Ald. F. N. Cabellu, commenting on this, called attention to the fact that the water supply system was now operating at peak load all the time and could carry no more, stressing the need for the urgency of the work to be done either by the city or by a metropolitan water board.

Third step in the development needed, outlined by Dr. Cleveland, is the clearing of the margin of Sooke Lake and raising its top water level by increasing the height of the dam, and providing for carriage of the water from the lake to a point near Japan Gulch and a five and a half mile aqueduct tunnel.

Finally he suggested that there should be renewal and probably enlargement in part or in whole of the Goldstream main.

In discussing the need for a Metropolitan Water Board to handle the supply system, Dr. Cleveland pointed out that the large financial outlays required for such a program could not well be borne directly by the city in conjunction with its other borrowing requirements for other necessary public works. Investigations have shown, he stated, that interest rates to the city would be considerably higher.

BY BULK AT COST

The sections to be taken over, he suggested, would include Sooke Lake and Goldstream system, the main on Hillside Avenue, the Smith Hill Reservoir and all the watershed lands except an area of 1,210 acres at Thetis Lake Park. He emphasized that no part of the distribution system of any of the municipalities should be included in the district, and the water should be sold by bulk to its member municipalities at cost and the rate charged per unit quantity be the same to each.

In referring to Saanich problems in particular he was of the opinion that it is desirable that the waters of Elk Lake be used to meet the immediate needs of the municipal areas north of the lake. He would use the pumping and filtration plant built by the R.C.A.F. and the 12-inch steel pipeline from the plant to Patricia Bay. The Brentwood and Saanichton communities could be supplied as soon as the municipality finds it economically possible to extend its distribution facilities.

FOR IRRIGATION

More northerly areas, he felt would have to wait for a piped water supply until either population or production increase. Dr. Cleveland said that so far as amount of water is concerned, there is an adequate supply to meet the demand for irrigation if it is limited to the sprinkler method in the Saanich peninsula. He would make no estimate of

C.P.R. Appointee



Invited To Attend Religious Service for Gen. Leclerc

Victorians of French origin have been invited to Vancouver to attend a religious service to the memory of Gen. Jacques Leclerc, who was killed in a plane crash Nov. 28.

The service is being held at the request of Alexis Anfossy, Consul for France, Dec. 9 at 9 a.m., by Rev. Father Meek, pastor of the French parish of the Blessed Sacrament, in the Chapel of the Convent of the Good Shepherd, 552 West 14th Vancouver.

In Paris a state funeral will be held for Gen. Leclerc Dec. 8.

In Ottawa, a solemn Mass of Requiem will be celebrated also on Tuesday at the request of the French ambassador, Count Jean de Hauteclerc, cousin of the late general.

Police Investigate Unusual Fire Charge

City police today are investigating an unusual incident reported about 10:20 last night in which a 11-year-old girl alleged her angry father started a fire in a box under the house when he was refused admittance to the home.

City police attended with firemen to the house in response to an alarm. There they found a box containing excelsior afire under the house at the rear.

The young daughter told police that her father, who was not living with her mother, came banging at the door trying to get admittance and declaring that if she did not open the door he would burn it down.

Police are looking for the father to question him on the matter. The box containing the inflammable material was taken by fire officials.

Old English Songs, Dances Featured By St. George Group

A program of music, story and dancing was presented at the quarterly meeting of the Royal Society of St. George, held in St. Michael's School, Oak Bay.

K. G. Symons, president, welcomed the guests and Mrs. B. Ruddock was in charge of the program.

Students of the Y.M.C.A. dancing class, trained by Mrs. J. B. Hudson and Harold Evans gave exhibitions of old English dances, cotillions, Scottish reels and the popular Sir Roger de Coverley.

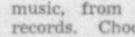
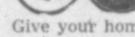
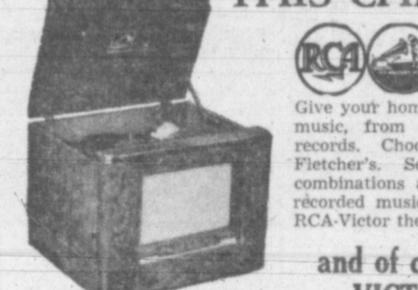
E. L. Guertin, who has been appointed general safety agent for the Pacific region of the Canadian Pacific Railway, also became general safety agent for the prairie region, with headquarters in Winnipeg.

Theft Guilty Pleas

Wayne Elmer Ahola pleaded guilty to a charge of theft of a blanket, a counterpane, two pillows and two pieces of clothing, under the value of \$25, the property of the Federal Fisheries boat Howie, in city police court this morning, and was remanded to Tuesday for sentence by Magistrate H. C. Hall.

Noble H. Lausanne pleaded guilty to theft of one pillowslip from the boat and was remanded to Tuesday for sentence. Circumstances, stories of accused and character witnesses will be heard before sentence is imposed. Lausanne told the court he was guilty of taking the pillowslip off the boat in his seabag, but he had been using it on board ship as a pressing cloth.

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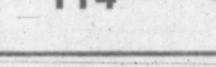
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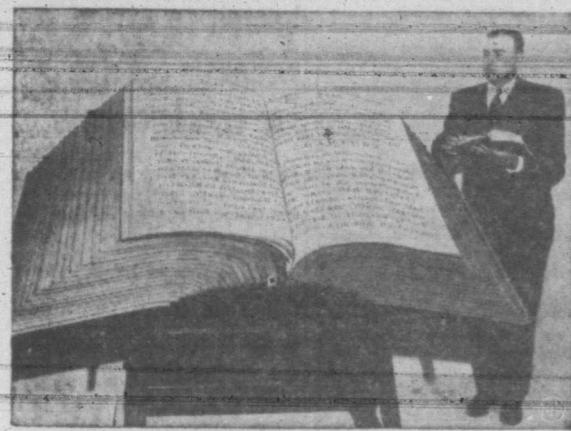
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Germans Take Pride In Thriving Black Market

By NORMAN M. MACLEOD
(Victoria Times Correspondent)

FRANKFURT — The amazing thing about any organized European Black Market is the scrupulously honorable basis upon which it is conducted.

It has to be. For while it is a traffic among scoundrels and has the blessing of an ever-sabotaging Communist Party to boot, no agreement is ever put into writing. Goods all have to be delivered and payment made upon the basis of purely verbal agreements. Usually these agreements are made, furthermore, between two individuals whispering hoarsely out of the corners of their mouths against the competition of the noise of street traffic.

A year ago operators from outside wanted to muscle in on the Frankfurt Black Market. One day about noon a representative of the local discipline committee passed down their ranks. In the course of his rebuke to them for having violated well-known Black Market proprieties, he emptied three revolvers. There has been no trouble here from outsiders since that incident.

MY FIRST INTIMATION of the scale upon which the German Black Market is organized came when a resident correspondent here suggested that I walk over and see it in operation. My surprise at the proposal was almost as great as my interest.

SCATTERED IN PARIS

In Paris I had found the Black Market scattered all over the place. It might be a bookstore which could sell you butter from some country connections of the proprietor. It might be a bedroom to which your butcher had moved the bulk of his stock for less convenient but more profitable use. It might be the corridor outside your hotel room which, normally empty, you would find curiously haunted by an agent with obvious telepathic qualities of mind when you wanted to change francs into dollars.

With all this I was familiar. But the existence of a localized Black Market where buyers and sellers came together in the open was something I hadn't known until my friend told me it was so.

With something that sounded strangely like local pride, he explained to me that the Frankfurt Black Market was one of the largest and best organized in Germany.

It covered an area of about three city blocks. It was strictly a curb market. Characters who invariably were seedy and nondescript in their dress lined the sidewalks at intervals of perhaps 25 yards. Their manner had a definite furtiveness about it, and was deliberately unobtrusive. At the same time it managed to convey with some trueness the idea that they were minding their own business and weren't proper subjects for any interference.

Casually some passer-by would detach himself from the crowd and speak to one of these curb operators. A few words would pass and that would be all. But a sale or purchase would have been made, a price agreed upon, and arrangements made for taking or receiving delivery. No time would be spent in bargaining. With U.S. military police in the offing that would be too dangerous. Both seller and buyer had their propositions clearly in mind before the contact was made. It was a simple matter of acceptance or rejection.

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The price might be ridiculously cheap or it might be outrageously dear. It depended on how "hot" the merchandise was and whether or not it could be removed with fair chance of safety from the occupation zone. Thus I heard a well-authenticated case of a lady's wild mink coat being sold for \$80 cartons of cigarettes (well below \$300).

On the other hand, diamonds

are reputed to be no less expensive than in America. Food prices are worst of all. Butter, for instance, commands \$12 per pound.

The serious feature of the German Black Market is the fact that it has taken on a national significance for the German people. It is always before their eyes as a symbol of their indomitable nature even under the yoke of a conqueror. It is something which the occupying authorities cannot control, even with all their vigilance.

Recently the Americans concentrated on channeling all available fats into the legitimate market. From their careful check-up of animal slaughtering, over a period, they knew that 800 tons of fats should be the very minimum arriving on the market. The result that actually was delivered was 65 tons. The rest went into the Black Market literally under the eyes of the occupying authorities.

RUSSIAN METHOD

Actually, there is one way to cope with the Black Market. The Russians are reported to be using the method in their zone, and to have found it effective. It is to shoot the Black Market operators whenever one is caught. But Western Allied policy so far isn't to shoot Germans wholesale, and short of that method control seems impossible.

Meantime, more and more, the Black Market grows and represents to the German people a national institution which they maintain against the will of the conqueror. It is the symbol of the survival against all obstacles of the genius of the German character.

Sings In 'Messiah'



NORAH JONES JEFFREY

On Sunday, Dec. 14, at 2:30 p.m. the Victoria Choral Union will give a performance of Handel's "Messiah" in Christ Church Cathedral. Thomas Jenkins, organist and choirmaster of Christ Church, will be the conductor and among the soloists will be Norah Jones Jeffrey, contralto, who has performed in many oratories here. She is known for the excellence and sincerity of her interpretation of her contralto solos.

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Scripture: 1st John
By WILLIAM E. GILROY, D.D.

The third Epistle of John consists of a single chapter of only 13 verses. It differs from most books of the New Testament in the fact that it is addressed not to a church or to a group, but to an individual.

However, if it is brief, it deals with a large theme; and if it is addressed to an individual, its theme and its appeal relate to every individual who would follow the Christian way and manifest the graces of the Christian life. For the relationship of which John writes ought to be between all who profess to follow Christ, and it is the hope of establishing that relationship among all men that constitutes the highest ideal of human attainment.

The dominant theme of the epistle, a personal letter addressed to Gaius, is fellowship, or the love of one Christian for another. Several "Gaius" are found in the New Testament and in the records of the early Christian Church. There is no clear indication concerning the Gaius to whom John wrote, who he was, or where he lived. Efforts to identify him are only speculation.

Perhaps that is just as well, for it gives to what was originally a personal letter, to one individual, a sort of impersonal or more-than-individual interest. It might be thought of as a letter from John to any sincere Christian friend, and even to you or me, if we qualify in that respect.

What was it that was so distinctive in the relationship that led John to address Gaius as "Beloved"? What is it that makes Christian fellowship different from or beyond, any ordinary close attachment of one individual to another? We must surely realize that deep attachments do exist that have about them nothing that is in any sense Christian; the very expression "thick as thieves" is an evidence that there can be deep attachments on a very low plane, and in very evil designs.

The Epistle makes it all clear in its very salutation. Gaius is the beloved, whom John loves "in truth." Nor is this truth, in which they are bound, mere intellectual correctness. It is the truth in which they "walk"—the truth of practical Christian living and "faithful work."

"Fellow workers for the truth"—these are the words John uses, and they define the essential nature of Christian fellowship. What a need there is today for fellows working for the truth, and for fellowship in their working together! The world of today needs that more than anything

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Madeleine Carroll
Back In Hollywood:
Planning New Movie

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Madeleine Carroll is here to stay, at least during next year. The English beauty, as radiant as ever, says the situation looks too stormy in France and she has again rented her old house at Malibu. She will start talks with Paramount next week about her first postwar picture. Maybe another with Bob Hope? . . .

Charles Boyer said his pictures for *Enterprise*, "The Passion of Eugene Aram," has been called off. Being an English costume drama, it was considered too costly for these thrifty times. Besides, the British lots can do that sort of thing better.

Cornel Wilde did some narration for a revised version of "Forever Amber," and 20th-Fox hopes the added wordage will please the censors. It carries the theme that "the wages of sin is death" . . .

OCCUPATIONAL HAZARD
Rita Hayworth's neuralgia is troubling her back again. She has been absent from "Carmen" because of it. Rita got the allment while standing scantly clad on a bleak hilltop during a location scene . . .

Gregory Peck and Loraine Day were greeted with a stellar turnout for their local legit debuts in "Angel Street" at the Biltmore. Joseph Cotten, Dorothy McGuire, Glenn Ford, Sylvia Sidney, Cornel Wilde, Charles Korvin and even Slapsie Maxie Rosenbloom were, among the well-wishers . . .

AROUND THE LOTS
Lloyd Nolan, Hollywood's most neglected actor, finally gets a new dressing room suite and star billing in "Street With No Name". Joan Crawford is enlarging a wing of her house to accommodate two more children she plans to adopt . . . Esther Williams is heading to Soda Springs, Calif., to learn to ski for "The Duchess of Idaho" . . .

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NELSON—To Mr. and Mrs. D. H. (Bert) Nelson, at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, on Dec. 3, 1947, a son.

ROBINSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Robinson, 2740 Forbes Street, a daughter, Janet, at Royal Jubilee Hospital, Dec. 4, a sister for Linda and Barbara.

POSSON—To Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Posson, Dec. 6, 1947, a son, John, a brother, Judith, Elizabeth. Both doing well.

MARRIAGES

OZEROFF-JACKSON—Mr. and Mrs. G. Jackson, 2523 Fernwood Road, announce the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth Louise (Betty) to Mr. Fred Ozeroff, son of Mrs. and Mrs. F. Ozeroff, Grand Forks, B.C. The ceremony took place on Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1947, at St. John's Church, Victoria. Both Rev. Tomalin officiating.

PENGELLY-STEWART—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stewart, 577 Tal Street, announce the marriage of their daughter, Eliza with Mr. John (Jack) Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Pengelly, 3055 Carey Road, Victoria. The ceremony took place on Friday, Dec. 5, 1947, at 8 o'clock in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Rev. J. L. W. McLean officiating.

DEATHS

AUCKLAND—At the residence, 2276 West Auckland—On Dec. 3, 1947, Mr. William Auckland, at his 85th year. The late Mr. Auckland was born in Scotland and had been a resident of Victoria for 30 years. He was a member of many years a resident of Comox, and a former member of the Comox Legion. Mr. Auckland is survived by two sons, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Auckland, U.S.A. and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Auckland, Victoria. Mrs. Auckland, three sons, William, Charles and Gavin, all of Victoria, and a daughter, Mrs. G. E. Stewart, a member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Funeral services will be held in McCall Brothers' Funeral Chapel on Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. J. L. W. McLean officiating. Interment will be in Royal Oak Park.

ECELAND—At St. Joseph's Hospital, on Dec. 3, 1947, Andrew Eceland, aged 89 years, a native of Norway, who was born in Norway and had resided in Victoria for the past 20 years. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Eceland, and a son, Andrew, residing in the New West End. His wife and many friends gathered around him. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, 1947, at the McCall Brothers' Funeral Chapel. Interment will be made later by McCall Brothers.

MASS—Passed away peacefully at 899 Burrard Avenue on Dec. 3, 1947, Maria Mass, aged 89 years, widow of Leonard Mass, who predeceased her in 1932. She leaves to mourn her loss three daughters, Mrs. W. G. Johnson of Washington, D.C., Mrs. J. B. Shore of Victoria, and Mrs. M. Moseley of Berkeley, Calif.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Mrs. Mass was a graduate member of the Victoria Art Association and a member of the Altar Society.

Funeral arrangements to be announced later by Hayward's B.C. Funeral Co.

SMART—At the Royal Jubilee Hospital, on Dec. 5, 1947, Edwin Smart, aged 87 years, of 1341 Connaught Street. He was born in England and had resided in Victoria for 30 years. The late Mr. Smart leaves to mourn two daughters, Mrs. R. L. Scobie of Vancouver, B.C., and Mrs. H. W. McLean of Victoria, and four grandchildren, whom he resided and found sons, Edwin of 3069 Dyerst Road, William of 2466 B.C. and Son's, Harry of 3157 Quadra St., and 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in McCall Brothers' Funeral Chapel on Monday morning at 11 a.m. Rev. Archdeacon J. K. Irwin officiating. Interment will be in Royal Oak Park.

(Calgary, Alta., papers please copy.)

TAYLOR—Suddenly on Dec. 3, 1947, at the family residence, 562 Dunhill Road, William Collins Taylor, aged 71 years, a native of Victoria for the past 35 years. He leaves to mourn his loss, his loving wife, a son, two daughters, Horace, Margaret and William, and 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Monday morning at 11 a.m. at Royal Oak Park. Interment will be in Royal Oak Park.

WATSON—There passed away in this city on Dec. 4, 1947, Mrs. Elsie Agnes Watson, widow of the late William Watson. She was born in England and had resided in Victoria for the past 20 years. She leaves to mourn, three daughters, Mrs. C. A. Curson of Royal Oak, Mrs. Elizabeth of Victoria, and Mrs. M. M. Winstanley of 3741 South Street; and six grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Funeral services will be held in McCall Brothers' Funeral Chapel on Monday morning at 11 a.m. Rev. Archdeacon J. K. Irwin officiating. Interment will be in Royal Oak Park.

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WONG—Passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Dec. 4, 1947, Mrs. Wong, aged 69 years, born in Canton, China, and a resident of this city for the past 20 years. She leaves to mourn, her son, Leonard, and six grandchildren. Survived by his son, Leonard, of Victoria.

The remains will be forwarded on Sunday, Dec. 7, to Vancouver where funeral services and interment will take place. McCall Brothers Ltd. are in charge of arrangements.

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RENFREE—To the memory of John Henry Renfree, died Dec. 6, 1947.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks edged toward recovery on a selective basis in today's market, although many leaders failed to make the grade.

The usual slackening of weekend activity prevailed from the start with the ticker tape frequently idle. Fractional irregularity ruled near the close.

Canadian issues were quiet, most stocks holding unchanged. An exception was Distillers Sea-grams, off 1.8.

Dow Jones closing averages:

30 indus. 175.34, off 0.36
20 rails 46.28, unchanged.
15 util. 32.65, up 0.03
65 stocks 61.85, up 0.07
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TODAY and
TOMORROWPersonalities in
The News

Miss Gay Elkington

—Photo by Forte-Cowx-McCann



Mrs. Philip Alcock and baby Philip Vian

—Photo by Forte-Cowx-McCann

Christmas Plans . . . There is much excitement in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Alcock, 1155 Bute Street, as plans go forward for a special Christmas tree for their young son, Philip Vian. Although he was born on Dec. 14, 1946, his parents are calling this young Philip's "first real Christmas." He is the grandson of Capt. and Mrs. E. G. Alcock, Eaton Avenue, and of Mrs. M. Botting, Rockland Avenue. The baby, who was christened recently, wore for the occasion an heirloom robe that had been in his father's family for many years.

Debutante Presented . . . Among the 81 debutantes who passed under the White Cross of St. Andrew's to be presented to His Excellency the Viscount Alexander of Tunis and Lady Alexander at the 112th St. Andrew's Ball, held on Nov. 28 in Montreal, was Miss Gay Elkington, daughter of Dr. E. H. W. Elkington and Mrs. Elkington, 572 Island Road, Victoria. . . . For the occasion, Miss Elkington, who is studying for her bachelor of arts degree at McGill University, wore a traditional debutante gown of white taffeta, fashioned with full skirt, tiny waist and off-the-shoulder neckline. The ball, one of the outstanding social events of the continent, attracted visitors from as far as Australia, Scotland and Barbados, B.W.I. Rt. Hon. The Earl of Selkirk, O.B.E., A.F.C., was among distinguished patrons.

Posted To Geneva . . . Lieut. A. R. Hewitt, R.C.N., who has been stationed at H.M.C.S. Naden, and was recently appointed Canadian naval member to the International Radio Frequency Control Board in Geneva, Switzerland, leaves Victoria next week with Mrs. Hewitt and their daughter, Karen Ruth, to spend Christmas with friends in Ottawa. They will go on to New York from where they sail on Dec. 20 aboard the Ss. America, going first to the naval base at Nible, London, England, and then to Switzerland. The Hewitts are the first Canadian naval family to be stationed at Geneva. Young Karen Ruth's maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Owens, 2888 Admirals Road.



Mr. Alan Cameron, Mrs. J. A. Griffith, Mrs. James F. Cameron and Jimmy

—Photo by Bill Halkett

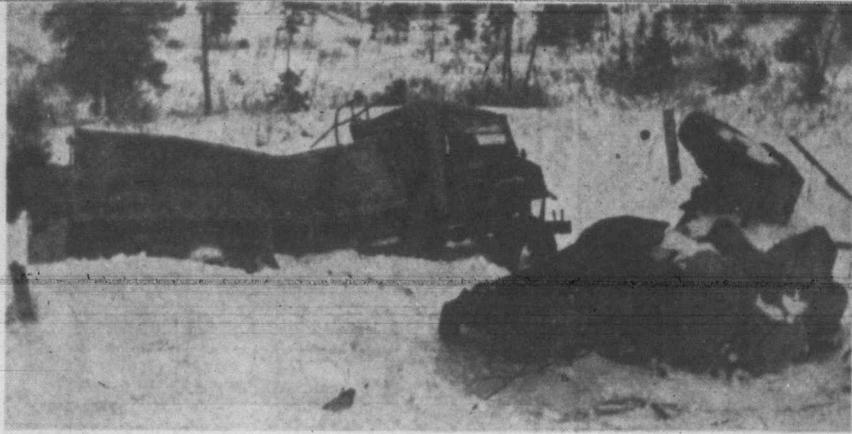
Four Generations . . . A family party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Cameron last weekend included four generations of both Mrs. Cameron's and Mr. Cameron's family. . . . The gathering was arranged to celebrate American Thanksgiving and also to honor Mr. and Mrs. Cameron's sons, Griffith and Wallace, and their fiancees, Miss Winnifred Hirst of Parksville, V.I., and Vancouver, and Miss Marjorie Ross of Victoria. . . . Others in the party were an older son, Alan, his wife and two sons, Jimmy and Ricky, of Shawnigan Lake; a daughter, Miss Olive Cameron; Mrs. Cameron's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Griffith, and Mr. Cameron's mother, Mrs. J. O. Cameron.



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—Photo by Bill Halkett

Lovely Summers, Winter Tomatoes On Northwest Road



The snow was sometimes treacherous as well as beautiful. Here a 60-cwt. truck skidded off the highway with the huge compressor (right foreground) it had aboard.

By ALAN JENKINS

In the thinly-populated and still-wild land of northern British Columbia lies a land of wonderful opportunity and beautiful scenery. Many of the Canadians who have served on the Northwest Highway system, formerly the Alaska Highway, now have that belief firmly established in their minds.

One of these men is Capt. M. D. MacKay, 127 Howe Street, who has just returned from army service up there. Capt. MacKay, who came back here from overseas in September, 1945, was one of the officers selected by Ottawa to go north in the switch-over of authority from U.S. forces to Canadian personnel. The section was a stretch of highway, approximately 1,220 miles, running between Dawson Creek and the Alaskan border.

Capt. MacKay went up in charge of the 116th Company, R.C.E.M.E., whose duties were to look after vehicle recovery, maintenance and wireless. On taking over from the U.S., one of the first tasks was the screening of civilian personnel to select those who would stay in the employ of the system. The majority of those now employed along the system are civilians.

TREMENDOUS APPEAL

Once settled down to the new life, Capt. MacKay and his wife began to find a tremendous appeal in it. The veteran, in looking back over those days, says "It was a very fine life. I was sorry to leave it."

He recalled lovely summers, fine, hot, dry weather and marvelous scenery, colored with an abundance of wild flowers. Even last winter, when the temperature went down as low as 78 below, he still liked it. Housing was good and adequate heating facilities had been provided.

Hot springs abound in the area and civilians have already started to develop them for the tourist trade, expected to become heavy, especially when the John Hart Highway is put in from Prince George to Dawson Creek.

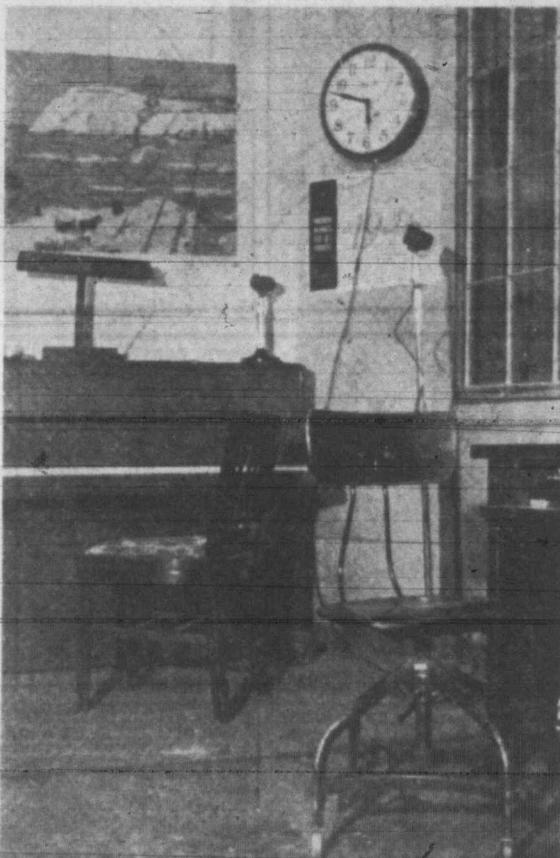
TOMATOES IN WINTER

One enterprising individual installed a hot-house over a spring and succeeded in growing tomatoes in the middle of winter.

Elsewhere, agriculture is beginning to flourish under the hands of industrious men. Just past the Haines Cutoff, a little over 1,000 miles along the highway from Dawson Creek, the Dominion government is developing a new experimental farm where, last year, huge vegetables rewarded the labors of the Dominion agriculturists.

Capt. MacKay noted the land in that district was very rich and lay in a hot belt which got very little snow, even in the deepest winter.

Hunting and fishing is excellent.



A corner of Radio Station CFWH, run by volunteers for the entertainment of highway employees who sometimes could not reach the outside world with their radio sets.

"You can get any kind of game you want up there," he said. "It is nothing to go out on a lake and get 50 or 60 grayling in a morning or evening."

To aid in bringing civilization to the country, a radio station is in operation up there. Capt. MacKay's R.C.E.M.E. unit took over radio station CFWH at Whitehorse and operated it on a voluntary basis. The U.S. army supplied transcriptions of regular shows and the Canadians developed their own local programs from the considerable talent which was found among the highway system employees.

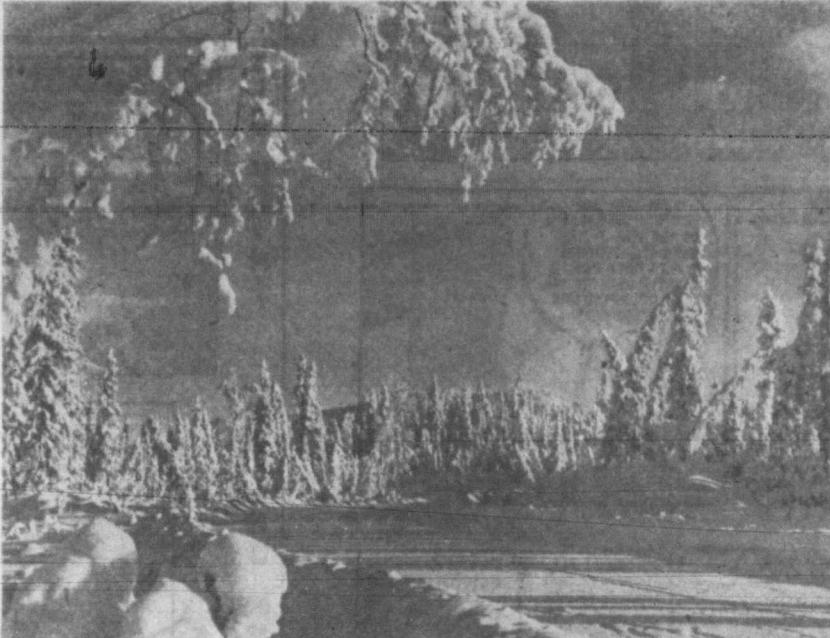
From Monday to Friday, the amateur radio artists operate the station from 7 to 11 in the evening. They broadcast Saturday afternoon and evening and on through to 2 Sunday morning. On Sunday the station is on the air from 9 in the morning until 11 at night.

Capt. MacKay himself put in two nights a week and on Sundays handled a broadcast of better music. The station is now being operated by a committee set up from among those working on the highway. The Royal Canadian Corps of Signals handles the maintenance, assisted by the R.C.A.F.

"It was a lot of fun, but it was also a lot of work," recalled Capt. MacKay.



A bridge carries the highway over one of the rivers cutting through the wild beauty of northern B.C.'s countryside.



Snow clothes the countless trees of the northern forests as the highway pushes on its way to Alaska.

Music And Drama....

By AUDREY ST. D. JOHNSON

The least fully understood or appreciated artists on the concert stage are conductors, with some emphasis on symphony conductors! That is not intended to be a sweeping denunciation of the nation's audiences. It is merely suggested as a probable finding if a sort of Gallup poll could be taken on the subject. Next time you applaud vigorously when the conductor returns to his podium—if you are not one of the small percent who know the inside story—ask yourself what contribution the conductor has made to the wonderful sounds that have thrilled you. Probably you will find some of the answers for yourself.

To go from the sublime to the gastronomic, there is an analogy to be found between a symphony conductor and a chef. Give the conductor an assortment of strings, woodwinds, brasses, percussion and some meaty scores; give the chef an assortment of fruit, spices, sugar, fats and flour, and what you get will depend upon the quality of the materials and the artistry of the mixer: An exquisite performance of a symphonic score, blended and balanced to perfection, richly colored and vital; a dream of a Christmas pudding, fully of subtly blended flavors and dark fruity richness.

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RECREATE COMPOSITION

Naturally the conductor's contribution is made largely during rehearsal period. He has neither written the music nor is he playing it, but he must understand

it so perfectly that he can step into the composer's shoes and recreate it as it was originally conceived; also he is responsible for seeing that the 50 or 100 musicians before him play it in that manner, as one man, and with absolute purity of tone. This responsibility can be better understood when one realizes that a wind instrumentalist, with his ears full of the sound of other instruments beside him, may play a fraction sharp or flat without noticing it. It is the conductor who must detect the fault or the tonality of the whole orchestra may be disturbed.

In the gradation of dynamics, the conductor again is the dictator. How much "pianissimo" for this phrase? To what degree of "forte" shall this passage be taken? Upon such decisions rest the color and climax that are a part of the finished performance. The conductor must have immense sensitivity with regard to these gradations, otherwise his climaxes would all be alike in time and the general coloring would tend to be monotonous.

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score by the composer. Afterward, an astonished Verdi asked him how he had perceived that the passage must be played in just that way.

"That was how I imagined it," Verdi exclaimed, "but I left it out of the score because most conductors would have made it too elaborate and so destroyed the effect."

It is recorded that Puccini considered Toscanini the world's greatest conductor because of his ability to conduct a score as the composer had conceived it. Once after Toscanini had conducted one of Puccini's operas, the composer told the conductor: "You have composed the opera a second time."

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under way, the advance sale had approximated \$75,000, principally in mail orders. Biggest order came from a man who bought seats for all seven shows for himself and his family of six; \$275 worth of tickets.

In Canada, we have already developed a significant national art. It is likely that there will soon be Canadian Artists' exhibits shown in England and in other centres outside the Dominion. Our literature also rapidly achieving a universal recognition and acclaim... and we are beginning to hear a little of Canadian music. But where is our national theatre?

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Cecil Solly's Column

Trimming, Pruning Does No Harm; Quick New Growth

One of the several too-seldom used methods of improving the growth of plants is the correct pruning of them. Many gardeners look on this simple and easy method of helping plants to grow better, as an art that needs many years of experience and some skill to even attempt to put into practice.

The pruning of any plant, shrub or tree is quite a simple matter. All the things you need are sharp tools, some good common garden sense and some non-technical knowledge of "whys" and "wherefores."

Most gardeners seem to be afraid to perform any act of cutting of tree or shrub which appears like a major operation, especially since during the time immediately after removal of any branch or branches, the attractiveness or balance of tree or shrub is impaired for a time.

REPLACED QUICKLY

When any large branch is cut away, it looks as if something is lost forever, although actually it is replaced quickly. The idea that trimming or pruning is de-vitalizing to the plant is wrong. The remaining part is fed by the same amount of roots and therefore has more food than before. After pruning, new growth is quickly developed and may easily be controlled so that the new production is limited to that part of the plant and style of growth desired.

The act of pruning is the removal of any surplus, undesirable or unusable growth from any plant at the correct time of the year.

The most important reasons for pruning are all simple and easily understood. When trees and bushes are young they should be trained in a manner so that they will be encouraged to make the correct growth and shape according to what results are desired.

DIRECT GROWTH

Some trees and shrubs are used to produce flowers or fruit. Others are grown for their ornamental effect as specimens or in groups. If any of them were allowed to grow wild without control they would soon become useless as a garden plant. It therefore becomes necessary to give nature a hand and by pruning we are able to direct the growth in a manner to produce the results desired.

By pruning flowering or fruiting trees we are able to direct the energy to increasing size, quality and quantity of production. Trees may be forced to grow tall or short as required. Fruit trees may be kept low for convenience in picking fruit or spraying. Shade trees may be shaped to suit the particular garden's needs. In shaping trees the most important work is done while they are quite small.

BESTORES EQUILIBRIUM

There are a number of natural laws of plant growth and the effect of pruning. In all plants there is a definite relation and balance between the root and top growth. Pruning of the top or branches disturbs this equilibrium.

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Root pruning of fruit or flowering trees or vines generally "shocks" them into speedy and heavy production. The first summer after treatment a heavy crop of flowering-fruited buds are formed. These produce their crop the following season.

Results from root pruning, whether it be of Gravenstein apples or a wisteria vine should not be expected the same year, but results are certain the following season.

REMOVE SUCKER GROWTH

Water sprouts, suckers or new strong rank growth are the result of a lack of balance between roots and the top of a tree, and are most often caused by too heavy pruning. Some of this growth may appear as dense rampant vertical shoots from the main branches or tree trunk. These growths are generally called "water sprouts" and are waste growth that deprives the desirable growth of most of its food supply.

This sucker growth should be removed immediately after it appears in early summer. It should never be allowed to remain on the tree until winter or it will rob the buds and desired fruiting growth so much that the productiveness and beauty of the tree are both quickly ruined.

All plants grow most rapidly from their terminal or outermost buds. This is a natural law which is brought about by the end buds of a branch having the benefit of better sunlight. The practice of removing these terminal or "leader" buds produces a rounded head, made dense by the encouragement of the lateral shoot branches. By thinning out the quantity of branches the tree is kept small in size or spread, depending how many are removed. In a dense tree as many as half the branches may be removed.

This system not only keeps the tree in good shape but greatly encourages the production of flowers and fruit, on sturdy branches that can hold any weight of crop without breaking.

To obtain the opposite effect—an open-spreading or tall-growing tree, the lateral or side shoots and buds on the branches are pruned off. This throws all the energy into the elongation of branches.

AMERSHAM, Buckinghamshire—A lone thief doped a watch-dog and then stole £5,000 (\$20,000) of jewelry from the home of J. Smit, a Dutch diamond merchant.

Drama Festival last year, are optimistic signs; but a great deal of amateur work has still not been revived, and this is important, for it is through the non-professional community theatres that the taste for legitimate drama is kept alive in the hearts of the movie-saturated public. Also it is actually the only means of fostering the considerable dramatic talent to be found in all parts of Canada.

Here we have a distinguished example of a conductor stepping into the composer's shoes.

Gilbert and Sullivan operettas are still a major attraction for United States audiences, apparently. The British D'Oyly Carte company is returning to Broadway this season for a series of seven bills at the 1,660-seat Century Theatre. But even before newspaper advertising really got

theatre going again. Perhaps a revival of the festival movement is the tonic needed. At any rate the problem is not being neglected and it is to be hoped that British Columbia and the whole of Canada will soon be back at the prewar degree of activity and well on the way to a national theatre.

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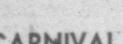
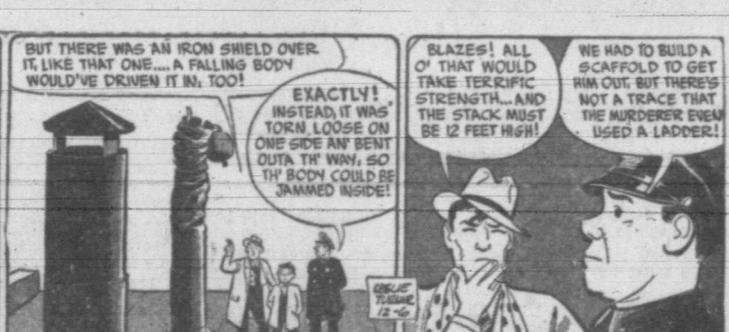
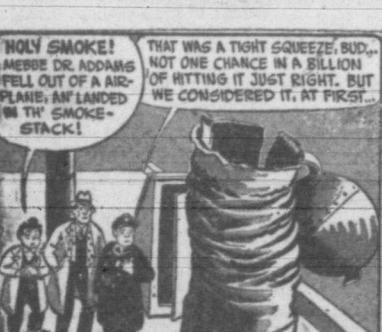
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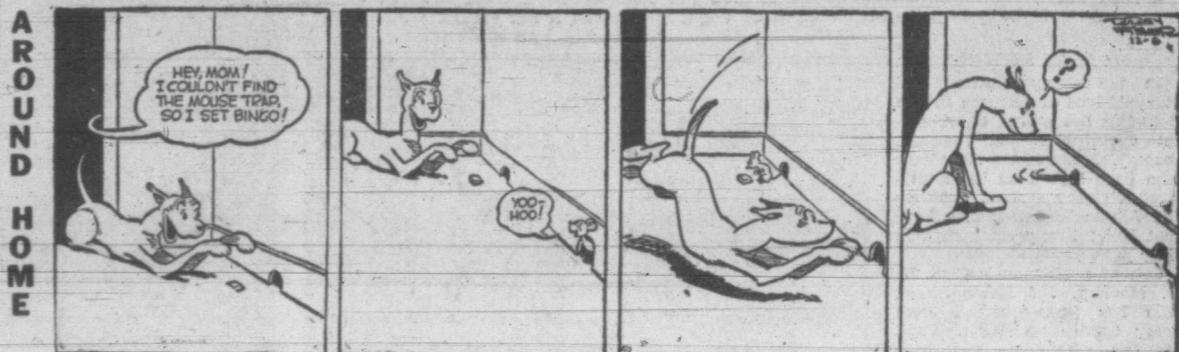
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By Dick Turner



"I can't stop to talk now, Elsie—a man is following me!"

"Mind if I borrow your cuspidor a minute, guv'nor? The pedestrians are as thick as fleas today!"